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Births.

ALLEN.—September 10, at Haril, Ocean-street, Woollahra, the wife of Arthur Wigram Allen, of a daughter.

Marriages.

MASTERTON—WATKIN.—August 19, at Nukualofa, Tonga, Friendly Islands, by the Rev. J. B. Watkin, father of the bride, John M'Lean Masterton, eldest son of the late R. K. Masterton, Esq., of Edinburgh, to Ella, only daughter of the Rev. J. B. Watkin.

PYE—HANCOCK.—July 22, at St. Matthew's Church of England, Windsor, by the Rev. S. Fielding, Sydney George, fifth son of David Pye, Eastern Creek, to Matilda, youngest daughter of the late J. M. Hancock, of Mulgrave.

Deaths.

COATES.—At his residence, 21 Park-road, suddenly, Joseph Coates, aged 53 years, late headmaster Sydney High School.

CROSS.—September 10, at his late residence, 57 Ormonde-street, Oscar Albert Cross, in his 25th year.

LEVY.—(By cable) September 8, at his late residence, Auckland, N.Z., Moss M. Levy, dearly beloved eldest son of Mrs. S. A. Levy, 217 Victoria-street, Darlinghurst.

MARSHALL.—September 10, at The Hospice St. Vincent's, Annie (Nurse) Marshall.

MULLIGAN.—September 9, 1896, at Singleton, Cornelius James, dearly beloved son of William Patrick Mulligan, of Erskineville-road, Erskineville, aged 24 years. R.I.P. Interred in Roman Catholic Cemetery at Rookwood.

RAY.—September 10, at her husband's residence, 325 Glebe Point-road, Amey, beloved wife of George Ray, aged 37 years.

In Memoriam.

CODY.—In sad but affectionate remembrance of our dear father and father-in-law, Patrick Cody, who departed this life 11th September, 1895, at Kogarah. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Ellen Cody, Cross-street, Kogarah.

GUNN.—In loving remembrance of our dear son, David Alfred, who departed this Life, September 11th, 1895, at Children's Hospital, Glebe Point. Inserted by his loving mother and father, Kate and David Gunn.

RUSSELL.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Jane Russell, who died September 11th, 1894, at 23 Alfred-street, North Sydney.

TODD.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Elizabeth Todd, who departed this life 11th September, 1895, at her residence, Waterton, Enmore.

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*Oceana	6603	F. Stewart	Sept. 14	Sept. 19	Sept. 23
Valetta	5004	G. W. Atkinson	Sept. 28	Oct. 3	Oct. 7
Parramatta	4886	F. Harris	Oct. 12	Oct. 17	Oct. 21
Massilia	5026	R. Harvey	Oct. 26	Oct. 31	Nov. 4

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Steamer.	Tons.	Leave Sydney at noon.	Leave Melbourne.	Leave Adelaide S'm'ph're
Stuttgart	5346	Sept. 12	Sept. 16	Sept. 19
Prinz-Regent Luitpold	6700	Oct. 7	Oct. 14	Oct. 17
Oldenburg	5318	Nov. 7	Nov. 11	Nov. 14
Gera	5319	Dec. 5	Dec. 9	Dec. 12
		1897.	1897.	1897.
Darmstadt	5316	Jan. 2	Jan. 6	Jan. 9
Friedrich der Grosse	13,000	Jan. 30	Feb. 3	Feb. 6
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WILCANNIA	3718	W. Pentin	...

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LUSITANIA	3912 ,,	F. Hoare	Oct. 5
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ORUBA	5552 ,,	Lindsay Hay	Nov. 2

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MONOWAI	Carey	Sept. 28	Oct. 3	Oct. 22
ALAMEDA	Van Oterendorp	Oct. 26	Oct. 31	Nov. 19
MARIPOSA	Hayward	Nov. 23	Nov. 28	Dec. 17

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TASMANIA.

For HOBART DIRECT—S.S. OONAH, THURSDAY, September 17th, at noon. (See special advertisement.)

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ABERDEEN	A. T. Wills	3700	Nov. 27
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Steamer.	Tons.	To Sail.
SIKH	2872	September 19.
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BRISBANE	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., Sept. 11; Ranelagh, Saturday, Sept. 12; Cintra, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sept. 15; Katoomba, Wednesday, Sept. 16.
MARYBOROUGH	Ranelagh, Saturday, Sept. 12
BUNDABERG	Cintra, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sept. 15.
GLADSTONE	Ranelagh, Saturday, Sept. 12.
ROCKHAMPTON	Ranelagh, Saturday, Sept. 12; Cintra, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Sept. 15.
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TOWNSVILLE, COOKTOWN, THURSDAY IS'D, NORMANTON, BURKETOWN	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m.
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ALBANY, FREMANTLE, GERALDTON	Gabo, Tuesday, September 15, 5 p.m. See special advertisement.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy, (No. 11,242).—Re HENRY ROXBURGH, of Dubbo, formerly Clerk in Charge of Local Land Board Office.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Office of the Official Assignee, at No. 38 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, on the 24th day of September, 1896, at 3 p.m. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 22nd day of September, 1896. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. N. F. GIBLIN, Official Assignee. (4e-13)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF DISCHARGE.—In the Supreme Court of New South Wales.—In Bankruptcy (No. 10,964).—Re CYRIL BLACKET.—TAKE NOTICE that the Bankrupt CYRIL BLACKET, of Marrickville and Sydney, has applied to the Judge for his Certificate of Discharge, and that the Judge has fixed the 23rd day of September, 1896, at 11 o'clock, for hearing the application. Dated this 9th day of September, 1896. N. F. GIBLIN, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT BUCK, late of Newtown, in the colony of New South Wales, Draper, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased have this day been filed at my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claims upon the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, may come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 28th day of September, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that, on the allowance of the said accounts, Commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executrix and Executor of the said Will. Dated this tenth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. R. C. MONDAY, Deputy Registrar. SIDNEY JOHN BULL, Proctor for Executrix and Executor, Temple-court, King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of WILLIAM JOHN FATHERS, late of Rookwood, in the colony of New South Wales, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any Claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office, on or before the 25th day of September, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said Accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this tenth day of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. MARK MITCHELL, Proctor for the said Executors, 122 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of EMILY JANE HANCOCK, late of Stanmore, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 25th day of September instant, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and, if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise, if the said accounts be not objected to, the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 10th day of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.—R. C. MONDAY (L.S.), Deputy Registrar. JONES and JONES, Proctors for the Executor, Lincoln's Inn-chambers, 38 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN CRELLEN KEGG, late of Albert-parade, Ashfield, in the colony of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ISABELLA ELIZABETH KEGG, the Widow of the said deceased. ERNEST TREVOR JONES, Proctor for the Applicant, No. 5 Bond-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of WILLIAM FUTCHER, late of Gulgong, Sawyer, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to AMELIA GERTRUDE FUTCHER, the Widow of the said deceased. LESLIE G. HOUSE, Proctor for the Applicant, Gulgong. By his Agents, MACKENZIE and MACKENZIE, 164 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS MAYERS, late of Bungwall, in the colony of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN MAYERS, the Executor named in the said Will. HENRY VINCENT HARRIS, Proctor for Executor, Newcastle. By his Agent, FREDERICK WILLIAM WALKER, 36 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MOISE JONSON, late of Lower Tarcutta, in the colony of New South Wales, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration cum testamento annexo of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ISABELLA HUDSON, of Mundarlo, in the said colony, Wife of John Hudson, of the same place, Labourer, the Mother and Guardian of the next-of-kin of the said deceased. GRIFFIN and WEEKES, Proctors for the Administratrix, Gundagai. By their Agent, G. R. RUSSELL JONES, 40 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of CHARITY OILSTRIKER, late of Narrabri, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ADAM OILSTRIKER, of Narrabri, Baker, the husband of the said deceased. Dated this 7th day of September, A.D. 1896. WILLIAM EDMUND POTTS, Proctor for Administrator, Narrabri. By his Agents, Messrs. WEAVER and HALE, Solicitors, &c., 16 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JAMES KENNEDY, late of Gladesville, in the colony of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to BRIDGET KENNEDY, the widow of the said deceased. RICHARD WINDEYER THOMPSON, Proctor for the Applicant, West Maitland. By his Agent, G. W. ASH, 99A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of CATHERINE HALSTENBERG, late of Woollahra, in the colony of New South Wales, wife of Charles Halstenberg, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARGARET CREEGAN, the sister of the said deceased. ERNEST TREVOR JONES, Proctor for the Applicant, No. 5 Bond-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS EDMUND OLIVER WARD, late of Armidale, in the colony of New South Wales, Ironmonger, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to GODDARD WILLIAM ASH, of Sydney, Solicitor, the sole Executor named in the said Will. R. W. THOMPSON and ASH, Proctors for the Applicant, 99A Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS ANDERSON, late of Borambil, in the colony of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to RICHARD WHITEHEAD, the sole Executor named in the said Will. Dated 4th August, 1896. GEORGE CARUS DRIFFIELD, Proctor for the Executor, Condobolin. By his agents, SHORTER and SON, 118 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARY ANN COTTERILL, late of East Maitland, in the colony of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to DANIEL COTTERILL and FREDERICK CHARLES PULLEN, the Executors named in the said Will. FREDERICK ALLEN SHEPHERD BOWDEN, Proctor for applicant, West Maitland.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT MORRISON, formerly of Dubbo, in the colony of New South Wales (but late of Aberdeen, in Scotland), Gentleman, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FREDERICK WILLIAM EDWARDS, one of the Executors named in the said Will, DUNCAN M'RAE, the other Executor therein named, having renounced. Dated at Sydney this tenth day of September, A.D. 1896. HOLDSWORTH and SON, Proctors for the Applicant, 17 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Estate of ALICE EYLES, late of the Glebe, near Sydney, in the colony of New South Wales, married woman, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate (cum testamento annexo) of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES EDWARD EYLES, of the Glebe aforesaid, Saddler, the husband and sole legatee of the said deceased. FREDERIC ROBISON COWPER, Proctor for Applicant, 114A Pitt-street, Sydney.

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The Ordinary Half-yearly General MEETING of Shareholders will be held at Garratt's Cambridge Hotel, Market and Castlereagh streets, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of September, 1896, at 4 o'clock p.m.

Business:

To Receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet for the half-year ending 31st August, 1896.

To Elect a Director in lieu of Mr. Angus A. Amos, who retires by rotation, but, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

To Appoint an Auditor, or Auditors, for the current year, and to transact any other business that may be brought forward in accordance with the rules of the company.

W. J. SHERWIN, Secretary. 70 Hunter-street, Sydney, 10th Sept., 1896.

THE AUSTRALIAN GLASS COMPANY, Limited, in Liquidation.

NOTICE is hereby given that a General MEETING of Shareholders of the Australian Glass Company, Limited, will be held at Fitz-Evan-chambers, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, on FRIDAY, 25th September, 1896, at 11 a.m., for the following purpose, namely:—

To Receive the Accounts of the Liquidator, showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted from the 5th September, 1892, to the 31st August, 1896, and to hear any explanation thereon that it may be desirable to give.

A. R. TROUP, Liquidator. Sydney, 10th September, 1896.

Religious Announcements.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

"LONDON TO NIAGARA FALLS."

Popular Lantern Lecture, by Mr. J. J. VIRGO, Gen. Sec. Y.M.C.A., Adelaide, THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING at 7.45. Fifty Magnificent Coloured Views. Chairman, E. K. Satchell, Esq. Admission, 6d. DAVID WALKER, Gen. Sec.

Y.W.C.A., 49 Phillip-st.—Bible Reading To-night by Miss Johnson (London Police Association), 7.30.

EIN Vortrag von einem Deutschen Evangelisten wird gegeben in der Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street, Sydney, ueber die Zeichen der Zeit und die Wiederkunft Christi, heute Freitag Abend, 8 Uhr. Alle Deutschen werden eingeladen, sitze frei keine. Collection.

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LOST, in town, Wednesday, Gold Chain BANGLE. Reward. Arnott House, Wynyard-square.

LOST, Gold WATCH, no glass, monogram T.C., reward £2. National Hotel, George-st.

LOST, SKIFF, 15ft., blue outside, green inside. Reward. Henry Brooks, No. 4 Agar-st., Miller's Point.

LOST, Tuesday, WATCH and Chain, bet. Liverpool, Hunter sts. Reward. Flavelle and Roberts, Geo-st.

LOST, Saturday, Scotch-terrier DOG, brindle, leather collar, reward. Tairoa, Livingstone-rd., Marrickville.

LOST, a Bar BROOCH, red stone, at cable terminus. Reward, Castell, chemist, Double Bay.

LOST, Fox-terrier DOG, black-and-tan head. Reward. Uralla, Llandaff-st., Waverley.

LOST, 3.10 train Kogarah, g. b. Brooch, 2 shamr'ks, p'ls, dia. cross piece; rwd. B. C., Sans Souci Hotel, S. Souci.

LOST, PURSE, cheque £2, widow's rent, and cash; reward. Milton, 69 Darlinghurst-rd.

LOST, a Gold Cable BANGLE, between Hargrave-st. and Point Piper-road. Rew., 3 Elizabeth-st., Padd.

REWARD.—LOST, Sable-and-White Collie DOG. J. Jolly, J.P., 30 Australia-st., Newtown.

STRAYED, 5th Sept., L. and W. Spaniel DOG (Don); cuttail. Reward, F. A. Stayner, 20 Donnelly-st., Balm.

STOLEN, from Central Arcade, Kent-street, on Wednesday morning, PONY and VILLAGE CART. Reward for immediate recovery of same. Dealers are cautioned against purchasing. W. LOWDEN, 9 C. Arcade.

FREE TICKETS, Mildura Estate, Campsie, Sale To-morrow at 3. E. C. V. Broughton, 250 Pitt-st.

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MADAME SHELLEY, NATURAL HEALER, will commence PRACTICE at No. 181 Liverpool-street, city, on MONDAY, 14th, 1896. Specialist in Hip Disease, Rheumatism, Paralysis, Consumption. Under the Direct Supervision of an Eminently Qualified Medical Practitioner. Consultation Days: Monday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5; Wednesday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5; Friday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5. Days of Treatment: Sunday, 10 to 12 only; Tuesday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5; Thursday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5; Saturday, 10 to 1, 2 to 5. Patients will kindly bear in mind that on the days of treating I cannot see any patients for consultation unless something urgent. Letters until the 14th to be addressed Empire Hotel, city.

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BOROUGH OF BOTANY.

TENDERS are invited for the Erection of Council-chambers for the use of the above Borough. Specification and plans of building may be inspected on application to Council Clerk during office hours (9.30 to 12.30), Saturday excluded. Tenders will CLOSE TUESDAY, 22nd instant. The council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. B. RADFORD, Council Clerk. Council-chambers, Botany, September 10, 1896.

BOROUGH OF ANNANDALE.

TENDERS will be received up to 4 p.m. on MONDAY, the 14th instant, for Rough Kerbing and Guttering Lane at back of Brailfat-street. For specifications and further particulars apply to J. J. SKELTON, Council Clerk. Council-chambers, Annandale, September 9th, 1896.

BRICKLAYERS.—TENDERS wanted for Cottage at Strathfield, lab. only. H. Walters, Grand Htl., Geo.-st.

BRICKMAKERS.—Tenders wanted for Supplying about 40,000 Bricks. Ap. on job, Smith-st., Balm'n.

BRICKLAYERS.—Apply early, at corner of Harrow-rd. and Dencansfield-st., Rockdale. F. Ridge.

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PAINTERS.—TENDERS are invited for Painting and Renovating Business Premises at Double Bay. Specification and particulars apply M. RIGDEN, Architect, &c., 236 George-street.

PLASTERERS.—TENDERS. H. H. Calvert, corner Military-rd. and Gordon-st., Mosman's Bay.

TO BUILDERS.

TENDERS invited for Repairs and Painting to Property, Glebe-street. Specifications to be seen with the undersigned from 10 till 11 o'clock each day up to TUESDAY, the 15th, on which day tenders close. (Signed) ALEXANDER MACQUEEN, Architect, A.M.P.-chambers, Bond-street.

TO BUILDERS and OTHERS.

TENDERS wanted for the Purchase and Removal of the BUILDING MATERIALS in a 10-ROOMED HOUSE, WOOLLAHRA. Tenders must be sent in not later than 10 a.m. SATURDAY, 12th instant. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. OWNER, c. o. WALTER RUSH and CO., Auctioneers, 30 Queen-street, Woollahra.

TO BUILDERS willing to TENDER for Shop and Dwelling, Holden-street, Ashfield, please forward NAMES. NIXON and ALLEN, Architects, 127 King-street, Sydney.

TO BUILDERS willing to TENDER for Cottage Residence, Alt-street, Ashfield, please forward NAMES. NIXON and ALLEN, Architects, 127 King-street, Sydney.

TO MASONS.

TENDERS invited for Steps and Landings to Garden Walks at Double Bay. For particulars apply to HARRY C. KENT, Architect. Bell's-chambers, Pitt-street.

TO PAINTERS.—TENDERS are invited for Painting, &c., Pair of Semi-detached Houses, Johnston-street, Annandale. Specifications at my office, or Bronte, 41 Johnston-street. ROBERT BOYD, Architect, Norwich-chambers, Hunter-street.

TENDERS wanted for Lettering Cut in Stone, about 40 letters, in gold. M. SHORTUS, Marcus Clark, Newtown.

TENDERS wanted for Additions and Repairs to Two Villas, at Burwood. Plans and specifications at my office, 72 Pitt-street. FERDINAND H. REUSS, Architect.

TENDERS for Slating Cottage, labour and material. Job, Denison-rd., near Eltham-st., Lewisham.

TENDERS wanted for Drainage. 47 Elizabeth-st.

TENDERS for Roofing Large Cottage, labour only. Bun Dook, Thomas-st., Chatswood.

TENDERS invited for Painting Cottage Residence at Waverley. Apply Tijuca, Evans-st., Waverley.

TENDERS wanted for Laying Flooring. Grant and Mathieson, Lane Cove-rd., North Sydney.

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TENDERS for Painting the Outside of 3 Houses, Between 9 and 10, 161 Hargrave-st., Paddington.

TENDERS for erecting Paling FENCE, 80ft. E. R. Birch, next School of Arts, Kogarah.

TO CARPENTERS.—TENDERS wanted for Putting up Verandah, labour only. 35 Excelsior-st., L'hardt.

TO DRAYMEN.—TENDERS wanted for Shifting Sand Back of Lindfield, next St. Mark's Church, Darling Pt.

TO JOINERS.—Tenders for doors, folding, and others. L. and M. G., Herald Office.

WANTED, TENDERS for Bathroom, Additions Verandahs, &c., to Four Cottages, Ashfield. Plans, W. JACOBS, Baker, Ashfield; or W. MAINER, Architect, Dobroyde.

WANTED, TENDER to Connect Water. Apply Mr. Bulteau, Gordon, Saturday afternoon.

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Government Railways.

CANTERBURY PARK RACES.

FRIDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, 1896.

SPECIAL TRAINS for FIRST and SECOND-CLASS Passengers will leave Sydney for Canterbury at 1.3 and 1.19 p.m., and for Horses at 12.20 p.m.
RETURN FARES.—First-class, 11d; Second-class, 8d.
By order of the Commissioners,
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

New South Wales Government Railways.
Office of the Railway Commissioners,
Sydney, 10th September, 1896.

TENDERS for the Works, &c., specified below will be received at the Railway Commissioners' Office, Bridge-street, Sydney, until 12 o'clock noon on the dates named:—

MONDAY, 14th SEPTEMBER.
THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY AT ANY RAILWAY STATION BETWEEN SYDNEY AND SINGLETON OF 31 IRONBARK OR TURPENTINE PILES, 45ft. long, and in diameter not less than 12in. at small end and 16in. at large end. Further particulars Existing Lines office, Bridge-street, Sydney, and Divisional Engineer's Office, Newcastle.
THE SUPPLY OF ROUND AND SQUARED HARDWOOD TIMBER FOR WAGGA WAGGA VIADUCT. Particulars, Existing Lines Office, Bridge-street, Sydney.

MONDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER.
THE SUPPLY OF BILLET WOOD required in the Sydney District during the remainder of the year ending 30th June, 1897. Particulars, Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
THE SUPPLY OF IRONBARK TIMBER required in the Northern District during the remainder of the year ending 30th June, 1897. Particulars, Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
THE SUPPLY OF ENGINE COAL required at Murrurundi from 1st October, 1896, to 30th June, 1897. Preliminary deposit, £20. Particulars, Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
The Purchase and Removal of the Old Station Building at Pymble, on North Shore Line. Particulars, Existing Lines Office, Bridge-street, Sydney.

MONDAY, 26th OCTOBER.
THE SUPPLY OF PITCH PINE. Particulars, Railway Stores, Eveleigh.
The Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.
By order of the Commissioners,
H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

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Dress Circle and Front Stalls, 5s; Stalls, 2s; Gallery, One Shilling.
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Doors open at 7, curtain at 8, carriages at 10.45.

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Prices, 5s, 3s, 2s, 1s. BOX PLAN at Nicholson's.
Doors, 7.30. Curtain, 8. Carriages, 10.30. Early Doors, Stalls, Family Circle, and Gallery (at Dress Circle Entrance) open at 7.15, One Shilling Extra.

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TO-NIGHT, FRIDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, 8 p.m.
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THE ARTISTS DELIGHTED
at the substantial support accorded to their productions by the discriminating playgoers of Sydney and the enthusiastic reception of their performances.
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LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.
No. 1 Jury Court.—(Before the CHIEF JUSTICE *and a jury of four.)*
HALL V. BEST.

Dr. Cullen and Mr. J. J. Cohen, instructed by Mr. H. Morris Cohen, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Wise and Mr. Mocatta, instructed by Messrs. Westgarth and Co., for the defendants. This was an action brought by Thomas Murray Hall against James Best to recover four instalments of £125 each, being balance of a sum of £875, which by deed of the 27th June, 1894, defendant, according to plaintiff's allegation, covenanted to pay in half-yearly instalments. The plaintiff also claimed interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, which defendant by the deed covenanted to pay in the event of his making default in any of the instalments. The defence was that the deed in question provided for the dissolution of the partnership existing between plaintiff and defendant, and the sum of £875 represented the amount of seven promissory notes of £125 each, made by W. G. B. Hall and E. P. Field in favour of plaintiff and defendant, and by the deed it was agreed that these notes should be deemed security for the payments to be made by the defendant. It was further agreed that plaintiff should apply the proceeds of the notes when received from the makers towards the sum of £875 before requiring defendant to pay any of the notes. Before the alleged breach of covenant such of the promissory notes as fell due before the commencement of the action were renewed by arrangement between plaintiff and the makers of the notes, and with the consent of the defendant, on the understanding and agreement then made between plaintiff and defendant that the defendant should endorse the renewals, but should not be required to pay any of them until plaintiff had exhausted his remedies on the makers of the notes, and applied the proceeds towards the payment of the £875. Defendant also pleaded that the renewals were still current, and that plaintiff had not exhausted the remedies against the makers, and was suing contrary to the provisions of the deed and the agreement. At the close of the plaintiff's case Mr. Wise moved for a nonsuit on the ground that there was a material variance between the deed and the agreement. His Honor, however, refused the application, but reserved leave to the defendant to move the Full Court to enter a nonsuit on the point submitted.

After some evidence had been given, a verdict, by consent, was returned for the plaintiff in the sum of £533 6s 8d, leave being reserved to the defendant to move to have the verdict set aside and entered for him on the ground already stated. A stay of proceedings in the meantime was granted.

A.J.S. BANK V. SMITH.

The Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Want, Q.C.) and Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by Messrs. Fisher and Macansh, appeared for the plaintiff bank, and Mr. Scholes, instructed by Messrs. Clayton and Pratt (for Mr. A. T. Thompson, of Dubbo), for the defendant. This was an action brought by the plaintiff bank against John Smith to recover the sum of £371 9s 11d, amount claimed to be due on two promissory notes. The bank also sought to recover interest on the principal sued for. It appeared, according to the plaintiff's case, that in 1892 defendant purchased some sheep at auction, for which he gave a promissory note, and subsequently he entered upon other transactions, for which he also gave bills, and the bank honoured them at maturity. The defence was that after the transactions referred to defendant's father, with the approval of the bank, took over all his son's liability to the bank, and that he gave a promissory note and also a mortgage over certain property.

The case stands part heard.

No. 2 Jury Court.—(Before Mr. Justice STEPHEN *and a jury of four.)*
VINTINER V. HUDDART, PARKER, AND CO. (PART HEARD).

The Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Want, Q.C.) and Mr. L. Armstrong, instructed by Mr. R. W. Lenehan, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Pring and Dr. Sly, instructed by Messrs. Laurence and M'Lachlan, for the defendants. This was an action brought by Charles Benjamin Vintiner, carrier, against Huddart, Parker, and Co., steamship proprietors, to recover compensation for damage done to a van and furniture when being shipped on board the Elingamite. The plaintiff's case has already been stated. The defendant company denied the alleged negligence and pleaded, among other things, that they received delivery of the goods on the condition that they were not to be held liable for the negligence of their officers or for latent or unknown defects in the gear of their steamer.

The addresses of counsel having been finished, his Honor summed up, and the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff with damages £27 3s 6s. They also specially found, in answer to questions put to them, that the damage was not caused by an unknown latent defect in the tackle; that there was negligence on the part of the owners in providing insufficient tackle for the purpose to which it would be applied; that there was no negligence on the part of the servants of the defendant company in the use of the tackle; and that the damage was not the result of an accident.

GRAYDON V. THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

Mr. Mocatta, instructed by Mr. D. M. Myers, appeared for the plaintiff; and Sir Julian Salomons, Q.C., and Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by Mr. J. C. Thom (Solicitor for Railways), for the defendants. This was an action brought by Samuel Graydon, by Mary Jane Graydon, his next friend, to recover compensation for injuries sustained by him owing to alleged negligence of defendants' servants in the management of a tram. The case for the plaintiff, who at the time of the occurrence was 8 years of age, was that on the 29th August of last year he was sent by his mother from Kemmis-street, Randwick, where she resided, to Waverley, to procure some groceries. He returned to Randwick by the tram, and upon reaching the corner of Kemmis-street the tram stopped in order to put down passengers. Plaintiff got out and had one foot on the ground and the other on the footboard when the guard blew his whistle and the tram started. The result was that plaintiff was thrown down and his right leg getting under the wheel of the tram the limb was very seriously injured immediately above the foot. He was under medical treatment for about six months, and though a good cure had been obtained and the use of the limb had not been seriously impaired, it would probably be permanently affected to some extent. The defendants pleaded not guilty, and called Edward Brownlow, the conductor of the tram, who said that while the tram was easing up to stop at Kemmis-street the plaintiff jumped out and so brought about the accident. He took the boy to the nearest available medical man, and when Mrs. Graydon arrived witness told her that her son had jumped off the tram while it was in motion. Mrs. Graydon said to plaintiff, "You naughty boy, why did you do that?" And the boy replied, "I won't do it again." This latter statement was corroborated by the doctor who attended to the boy immediately afterwards, but it was denied by Mrs. Graydon.

The case stands part heard.

No. 3 Jury Court.—(Before his Honor Mr. Justice COHEN.)
GRAHAM V. COOK.

Mr. Whitfeld and Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Mr. R. S. Lambton, appeared for the plaintiff, and Dr. Sly, instructed for Messrs. Sly and Russell, for the defendant. This was a part heard action brought by Annie Graham against James Cook for alleged breach of agreement. Plaintiff alleged that in February last the defendant accepted her as a tenant for a shop in Oxford-street, but that he afterwards wrongly distrained upon her goods for rent alleged to be due, and likewise seized goods in excess of the amount of the goods distrained for. The plaintiff claimed £500 damages. The defendant pleaded that it was part of the agreement that the plaintiff should take a lease of the premises, and that on her refusing to do this he declined to accept her as a tenant. On the conclusion of the evidence for the plaintiff, Dr. Sly applied for a nonsuit on the ground that there was no evidence to go to the jury to prove that a tenancy had existed between the parties.

His Honor upheld this point, and nonsuited the plaintiff, but granted a stay of proceedings for eight days.

In Equity.—(Before Mr. Justice OWEN, *Chief Judge in Equity, and a special jury of four.)*
RICKETSON AND ANOTHER V. THE MINISTER FOR MINES (PART HEARD).

In this case plaintiffs had obtained a decree against the Crown with regard to damages claimed by them in respect of certain tanks and reservoirs which had been resumed on the Billabong run, near Wyalong. The matter comes before the Chief Judge in Equity and a special jury for the assessment of damages.

Argument was concluded, and about an hour was occupied by his Honor in summing up. This work remains to be concluded.

The case stands as part heard.

METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COURT.
THURSDAY.
(Before his Honor Judge FITZHARDINGE.)
ELLIOTT V. MONK.

Alexander Elliott, of Redfern, sought to recover £50 damages from D. J. Monk, of Henderson-road, Alexandria, for the alleged wrongful seizure of a piano and other goods, for rent and moneys alleged to be due to the defendant. The defendant pleaded not guilty. His Honor nonsuited the plaintiff, and allowed the defendant the costs of five witnesses.

HERCULES ICE MACHINE COMPANY V. COSKERIE.

In this case the Hercules Ice Machine Company claimed £38 12s 9d from Robert Coskerie, of Buxton Villa, Junction-road, Summer Hill, for work and labour done and material supplied, &c. Verdict for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, and costs.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.
(Before the Registrar, Mr. ARTHUR HENRY.)
CERTIFICATE GRANTED.

A certificate was granted to James Thomas Compton, jun.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS ADJOURNED.

Joseph John Rochester, to the 24th instant; Thomas Richard Smith, to 1st October.

CREDITORS' RESOLUTION.

Re Charles Lovely. A resolution passed by the creditors, allowing the bankrupt to retain his furniture, was approved.

EXAMINATIONS UNDER SECTION 30.

Re George Robertson Hopley. The bankrupt was brought up in custody, and he and his wife were examined under section 30. The Registrar cancelled his warrant for the committal of Hopley.

Re Thomas Davis. A witness named G. F. Davis, who had been summoned, failing to attend, a warrant was ordered to be made out for his apprehension; warrant to lie in the office until next day. The examination was adjourned till Friday.

Re Joseph Augustus. The bankrupt had been a grocer carrying on business in Lower Fort-street. He deposed that he sold out at the end of June, and received £120 net. He took a trip to Newcastle, and went thence to Cockle Creek with the intention of starting business there. He had the money in sovereigns in a canvas bag, which he was carrying in an overcoat. He was in a train one evening, and arrived at Newcastle at about 7 o'clock. He went to his hotel, and found that he had lost his bag of gold. He went back to the station and searched, but found nothing. He did not miss the money until he arrived at his hotel. He had with the gold a bunch of keys bearing his address, and had expected that the gold would be returned to him. When he sold out he had creditors. He now owed £171 odd. The examination was adjourned to the 14th instant.

SEQUESTRATION ORDERS.

Donald Dallas, of Forbes, miner. Mr. Giblin, official assignee.

Alfred White, of Falcon-street, North Sydney, tailor. Mr. Palmer, official assignee.

Hampton Todd, of Trial Bay, warder. Mr. Palmer, official assignee.

LAND APPEAL COURT.—THURSDAY.
At Darlinghurst.—(Before Mr. A. OLIVER, *President, and Mr.* BRANDIS, *Commissioner.)*
RESERVED DECISIONS.

The Court delivered its reserved decision in respect of the reference made by the Minister for Lands with regard to H. E. H. Kirk's settlement lease application No. 95-5, Walgett. It appeared that the board, not being satisfied with Kirk's application, refused it, and directed that £5 of the amount which was paid on the application should be forfeited to the Crown. The Minister for Lands asked whether the board, having exercised its right to order a forfeiture of money, ought not to have ordered that the whole of the money, £34 14s 6d, paid on application should be forfeited.

The Court held that the power to forfeit moneys lodged with the application must be exercised in terms of the power conferred, and not as costs in dealing with the case. The Court was satisfied that the subject application was made otherwise than in good faith, and declared the whole moneys lodged with the application forfeited to the Crown. The board's finding would stand as given, except as to a refund of the deposit, as to which the board's finding was varied as above declared. The reference was sustained.

In the case of the appeal of the Union Bank against the appraised value of the improvements on William Jameson's settlement lease No. 96-3, Barmedman. The Court held that the appeal must be sustained in respect of the appraisements of the subject improvements only, and the finding of the Land Board was therefore varied on the following points: The value of the improvements of the bank was declared to be £81 5s 6d, which sum was to be paid to the licensee of the Back Creek holding. The value of the improvement belonging to the Crown was determined at £10, such sum to be paid in the manner provided by the regulations.

The Court gave its decision in the reference by the Queanbeyan Land Board for direction in respect of John E. Monk's additional conditional purchase application No. 95-3, Queanbeyan. The land was revoked from special area No. 18,338 on 11th December, 1895, and was set apart the same day as part of homestead selection area No. 102. The application was lodged within 40 days from notification of the homestead selection area, and applicant had been residing six months previously, and was still in bona-fide residence on the conditional purchase. The area was not excessive. The land is within the boundaries of the Queanbeyan population area, and the board is in doubt whether on the revocation of the special area the land did not revert to the population area under section 32 of the Crown Lands Act of 1889. As a special area the price was fixed at £3 per acre; as a homestead selection the capital value was fixed at £2 10s per acre. The board was in doubt whether on the revocation of the special area the special price of the land was cancelled, and whether its value at date of application was the capital value of the homestead selection area or of ordinary Crown lands.

The Court was of opinion, and so directed the land board, that the land was open neither to conditional purchase nor to homestead selection. The revocation of the subject area had the effect in law of remitting the land embraced in it to its original character of population area land, and by (a) of the proviso of section 10 of the Act of 1895 the notification of the land as a homestead selection area did not affect its reservation as dedicated for public purposes. The exemption, therefore, from conditional purchase and from conditional lease declared by sub-section 7 of section 21 of the Crown Lands Act of 1884 applied to the land on its falling within the population area.

In the appeal of Catherine F. M. Armstrong against the finding of the local land board in respect of her conditional purchase, No. 91-131, Deniliquin, the Court delivered its reserved decision. The appeal was against the decision of the board in regard to her original conditional purchase of 617 acres, that finding being that improvements to the value of 6s per acre were not upon the land on the 23rd November, 1895, and therefore that forfeiture had been incurred. To this finding the board added no recommendation, at the express wish of the appellant's agent, though it was prepared to make one favourable to his client if desired to do so, that was to say that the appeal should be considered by the Court of appeal *ex debito justitiae*. The grounds of appeal were that the appellant had fulfilled the conditions required by section 47 of the Crown Lands Act of 1888. The board had granted her exemption from a line of fencing valued about £32 in lieu of which she built sheep yards valued at £30, and had erected a fence on the western side of her selection, the side exempted, to the value of £16, total value of improvements in lieu of the fencing exempted £46. It appeared to the Court that the construction on the section of the Act contended for by the appellant could not legitimately be placed on that section which required the value of the improvements to be at least 6s per acre within three years from date of confirmation. The improvements relied on by the appellant to fulfil the requirements of the law were insufficient in value per acre to comply with the provisions of the 4th section of the Act in question. If the law was as contended for by the appellant the statutory condition of fencing a conditional purchase could be easily evaded by obtaining permission to substitute improvements in lieu of fencing over the smallest possible boundary line or portion thereof, and the per acre value of improvements intended by the Legislature to be secured as consideration for the concession granted to conditional purchasers by the Act of 1888 could be almost entirely eluded. The appeal must be dismissed, but the deposit would be refunded.

The Court delivered its reserved decision in the appeal of A. G. M. Debenham against the disallowance of his homestead selection application No. 96-17, Forbes. It appeared that appellant applied for the land, part of which was a portion of the area of the conditional purchase of one Richards. Applicant was quite willing to take that portion of the block which was not in the conditional purchase, but the board held that as the whole block applied for was not available the application must be disallowed.

The President said that if the appellant was willing to accept the residue of 418 acres in satisfaction of his homestead selection application, as stated at the hearing, the Court was of opinion that there was nothing in law to prevent him from getting it, provided the block remained a homestead selection block after its reduction by the additional conditional purchases. But the character of the block had been very materially altered. It was no longer a block of the undivided area or capital value, and the standard of ability to enable a selector to maintain his home in terms of the Act no longer applied to the area, reduced by nearly one-half. If the block in question had remained a homestead selection block the well-known legal maxim, *volenti non fit injuria* (a man is not injured in law in respect of a matter to which he himself assents), might well be applied, because it was difficult to see how the State or any individual could possibly be prejudiced by such assent. But there was a serious obstacle. The original block had ceased by reason of the additional conditional purchases taken up in it to be a homestead selection block in the homestead selection area No. 141. The Court felt itself compelled, though with reluctance, to dismiss the appeal.

The President delivered the reserved judgment of the Court with respect to the appeal of R. M. Hargrave against the disallowance of his homestead selection applications Nos 96-1 and No. 96-2, Inverell. On the 5th March, 1895, appellant lodged two applications for homestead selections under the 1894 Act. In April last Nevin applied for the land which was comprised in the second application of Hargrave. The board had disallowed the application of Hargrave because there had been two applications made, and had allowed the application of Nevin.

The Court held that it was the duty of the applicant for several homestead leases to elect to stand on some one of his applications forthwith on the fact becoming known to him that there was no conflict of applications. If he held to two of his applications, as had been done in the present case for some months, it was clear that his action would have the effect of hanging up more or less valuable blocks of land which it was impossible for him to hold, and to that extent defeat settlement. The appeal must be dismissed. In the one case the deposit was ordered to be refunded, and in the other it was ordered that the deposit should be made available as costs to the respondent Nevin.

The cases of William Kiddle, Albury; J. K. and W. H. Mackay, Tamworth; James W. Johnson, Cooma; W. O. Gilchrist, Bombala; Henry Chew Young; and the New Zealand and Australian Land Company, Limited, Tamworth, who appealed against the disallowances of their additional conditional purchase applications were mentioned.

The President said that in these cases the Court disagreed, and if it did not agree in a few days a case would be stated for the Supreme Court.

The appeals of the Momba Pastoral Company, Limited, against the appraised rents of its homestead leases Nos. 1, 199, 2000, and 2001, Wilcannia, were dismissed, and the rents were fixed as fixed by the board, viz., 1½d, ½d, and 1-15d per acre respectively.

The appeal of the Bank of New South Wales against the appraised license fee, 1-25d per acre, of the Tooloom and Woodenbong occupation license, No. 361, was sustained, and the fee was fixed at £2 14s per section. The appeal in respect of the license fee of the preferential occupation license of the same holding, No. 361A, 1-25d per acre, was also sustained, and the fee was fixed at £2 3s per section.

The appeal of the A. M. and A. Company, Limited, against the appraised license fee, 6d per acre, of the Belubula preferential occupation license, No. 67, was sustained, and the fee was fixed at £13 6s 8d per section.

The appeal of the Momba Pastoral Company, Limited, against the appraised rent of the leasehold area of the Momba holding, 1d per acre, was sustained, and the rent was fixed at ·88d per acre. In the appeal with regard to the resumed area of the same holding the appeal was dismissed, and the fee fixed by the board, £1 6s 8d per section, was fixed by the Court.

The appeal of the Bank of New South Wales against the appraised rent of the Murtee holding, No. 196, was sustained, and the rent was reduced from 1d per acre to ·88d per acre.

THE MERCADOOL CASE APPEALS.

The matter of the Mercadool appeals was mentioned by Mr. Pike on behalf of the Assets Realisation Company. He asked that the cases of the Mercadool appeal cases should be set down for hearing not earlier than the commencement of November.

Mr. Heydon, on behalf of the Crown, opposed the application. The grounds that had been mentioned, the inability to obtain counsel before that time, did not exist. If Mr. O'Connor could not be procured, he asserted that any barrister of ordinary intelligence could obtain a grasp of the case in a fortnight. What the appellants clearly wanted was delay. It was, he would admit, a favourable policy, a proper policy, for them to pursue on behalf of their clients. The longer the delay the more stale and the more weak the criminal charge would become. If he represented the appellants he would consider it his bounden duty to obtain delay by every legitimate means. The case would last at least 10 days, and the Court would have to grasp the case in that time. Surely a barrister could do the same in the same length of time.

Mr. Simpson, representing Messrs. Firebrace and Co. and A. M. L. and F. Company, said that he absolutely denied that the object of the fixing of the case in November was to delay the case. They wanted to obtain Mr. O'Connor, and he would not be free for another eight weeks. It would be a very difficult matter for another counsel to grasp the case in such a short while.

The President said that the Court found that unless they took the case in October the appeals would have to go on till next year. The case would, therefore, be set down for the 6th October.

The Court adjourned sine die.

LAW NOTICES.
SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.

No. 1 Jury Court (New Court, St. James'-road).—A.J.S. Bank, Limited, v. Smith (part heard), Douglas v. Martin, Fanning v. Allen and others, Daly v. Cohen and others.
No. 2 Jury Court.—Graydon v. the Railway Commissioners (part heard), Fitzalan v. Nicholson, Dashborough et ux. v. the Perpetual Trustee Company, Limited (administrator), Bowman v. Bacon.
No. 3 Jury Court.—Moses v. Berry, Doherty and another v. Lafalaise, Lee v. Scott, Schumacher v. Sipple, Sullivan v. Stephenson.
In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 10 a.m.: Ricketson v. Smith (part heard). At 11 a.m.: Motions generally—Cox v. Stockwell, motion to continue injunction; Fraser v. A.J.S. Bank, summons for discovery; re will of D. C. M'Gregor, deceased, and Trust Property Act, petition for advice; re Marriage Settlement of Clara H. Sharland and Perpetual Trustee Companies Act and Trustee Acts, petition for appointment of trustee; Yule v. Chard, motion for change of agents; re R. H. Ross (an infant) and Public Works Act of 1888, petition to appoint special guardian; re will of James Underwood, deceased, and 21 Vic. No. 7, further consideration; Wise v. Whelan, motion for decree. Before his Honor Mr. Justice Manning.—At 12 noon: Plomley v. Shepherd (part heard).
Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: Singh v. Singh, to set aside judgment, &c.; in re Cousens, Lukham caveator, to remove caveat, &c.; ex parte Johnson, mandamus; Little v. Scaddon, Scadden claimant, to enter judgment; the Dubbo Refrigerating and Boiling-down Company, Limited, v. Rutherford, for discovery; the E. S. and A. Bank v. Brown and others, to enter suggestion.
Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Lunacy. At 2 p.m.: Company matters. At 2.30 p.m.: Speer v. Henderson, to proceed on inquiry. At 3 p.m.: Re will of Major West, deceased, to settle minutes of order; North Sydney Investment and Tramway Company, Limited, and Companies Act, to settle minutes of order; Australian Mortgage L. and F. Company, Limited, v. Chapman, to settle minutes of order; Mackay v. Mannell, to settle minutes of decree; Nowlan v. Doyle, to settle minutes of order. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Crehan v. Finnerty, to tax costs. At 2 p.m.: O'Brien v. O'Brien, to tax costs; same v. same, ditto. At 3 p.m.: Re Sarah Blenkinsop and Settled Estates Act, to tax costs.
Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—In re grant, &c., 11; Cooper v. Young, 2.30.
Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Probate Judge.—At 10 a.m.: Motions for probate, motions for administration, motions to pass accounts and commission, motions for sale of real estate, miscellaneous motions. Before the Registrar.—To proceed on accounts (at 11) in the following estates:—William Corner, Michael Shalvey, Thomas Pearson, John L. Kettle.
Before the Judge in Bankruptcy.—At 11: Joseph Davison, motion to serve notice of motion outside jurisdiction.
Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11: Examinations under section 30—W. S. Predsey, Lawrence Sharkey, Thomas Davis. At 2 p.m.: Walter Kimber, examination under section 30.
Before the Chief Clerk.—At 2.15: Re Woodward, taxation. At 2.30: Re John Samuel Barrett, taxation. At 12: J. A. Wallace, taxation.

DISTRICT COURT.—FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.
(Before his Honor Judge Fitzhardinge.)

Application to Examine Judgment Debtors.—Minty v. Campbell, Nelson and another v. Tanner, Smith v. Chapman, Hyam v. M'Carthy, Mercer v. Petersen, Wilkie v. Taylor, Moloney v. Reid, Best v. Newell, Goodlet and another v. Stubbs, Goodlet and another v. Hawthorne, Toohey and another v. O'Sullivan, Oddy v. M'Neill, Kie v. Phillips, Sandry v. Sandry.
Ca. Sa. Applications.—Spencer and another v. Orams, Baldick v. Jenkins and another, Spencer v. Best, Spencer v. Spark, Spencer v. Feeney, Mackay v. M'Connell, Booker v. Ringstadt, Rorke v. Forsyth, Booker v. Taylor, Johnston v. Edwards, Atcherley and another v. Francis, Fish and others v. Smith, C. S. Co-operative Society v. Sisk, Booker v. Ramage, Andrews v. Pryke, Best v. Barringer, Keenan v. Flagg, Alt v. Hamilton, Alt v. M'Guire, Yates v. Irwin, Cannon and another v. Rolfe, Sherwood and another v. Cox, Israel v. Taylor, Wards v. Hinds, M'Clintock v. Dobson, Brown v. Sinclair, Atcherley and another v. Irvine, Lyons v. Burgoyne, Potter v. Wilkinson, Grace v. Cahill.
Order for Examination Judgment Debtors.—Nelson and another v. Moloney, Booker v. Gabriel, Quinlan v. Mimms, Beard v. Symonds, Pendey v. Alderson, Giles and others v. Giles, Booker v. Robinson, Heron v. Welderburn.
Garnishee.—Jamieson v. Carroll, garnishee S. S. and C. Co.; Morgan v. Wirth, garnishee M'Murtrie and Co.; Murphy v. Tierney, garnishee Tracey; Knight v. Cruickshank, garnishee M'Kenzie; Woods v. M'Namee, garnishee M'Menemy; Alt's Brewing Company v. Cash, garnishee Joseph; Simpson and another v. Norquay, garnishee Gouldery; M'Clintock v. Dobson, Thompson, garnishee M'Jannett and another; Howard v. garnishee Rosehill R. Company; Saxton and another v. Richards, garnishee City Bank; Martin v. Watts, garnishee Commercial Banking Company of S.; Booker v. Meyers, garnishee Australian Star Newspaper Company.
Causes after Ca. Sa. or other Motions.—Power v. Clarke, Nisbet v. Kilworth.
List called at 10 a.m.

POLICE COURTS.

ALLEGED PETTY LARCENIES.

At the Central Police Court, before Mr. G. H. Smithers, S.M., James Wilson, alias Patrick M'Mahon, aged 34, was sent to gaol for one month for having in his possession a watch reasonably suspected to have been stolen. George Maunsell, 41, pleaded guilty to a charge of having in his possession a pint measure reasonably suspected to have been stolen, and was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment with hard labour. James Young, 28, was charged with stealing two egg-poachers, valued at 2s 3d, the property of Samuel Cornforth, and was fined £2, or in default of payment to go to gaol for 21 days.

ILLEGALLY USING A HORSE.

James Seymour, 38, was charged at the Central Police Court yesterday with taking and using, on the 9th instant, a horse, the property of John M'Quinn, commercial broker, without the consent of the owner. The prosecutor stated that while he was doing business in a shop in Sussex-street, he saw his trap moving away from the door, and on running out saw the accused driving the horse towards Liverpool-street at the rate of about eight miles an hour. A sentence of one month's imprisonment was inflicted.

ALLEGED ILL-TREATMENT OF A HORSE.

A youth named Alexander Pearson pleaded not guilty, at the Central Police Court yesterday, to a charge of driving a horse when in an unfit condition, but was ordered to pay a fine of 10s, or undergo three days' imprisonment.

ROBBERY AT DRUMMOYNE.

Ernest Gilbert, 17, John Valentine, 17, and Patrick Whitley, 15, on remand from the Redfern court, were jointly charged at the Balmain Police Court yesterday with stealing a bag of bran and a bag of chaff, the property of Richard Hunt, a drayman, at Drummoyne, on the 31st August. From the evidence of Police-officer Campbell, of the Redfern Police Station, who arrested the accused, it was shown that they had each stated to him that they took a bag whilst at Drummoyne and put it into a cart, but when they saw a man coming all of them ran away, and were arrested at Waterloo. Evidence was also given by the prosecutor and a little fellow named Edward Bates, who identified each of the accused, who came to the premises asking if there were any empty bottles, and finding they could get none, proceeded to help themselves to a bag of chaff (produced). Mr. Addison, S.M., sentenced each to 14 days' imprisonment, with hard labour.

A CHARGE OF THEFT.

At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Delohery, S.M., Charles Brooks Smith was sentenced to six months' imprisonment for stealing a mackintosh coat valued at 35s, the property of William Bauman.

A DISOBEDIENT SEAMAN.

Charles Fowler was charged at the Water Police yesterday with wilfully disobeying lawful commands on board the s.s. Hubbuck. A sentence of three weeks' imprisonment was imposed.

CHARGES OF ASSAULT, AND RESCUING CATTLE.

At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Edwards, S.M., John Moss proceeded against Catherine Stickler for having on the 31st August last rescued three cows from his charge which had been lawfully seized by him for the purpose of being impounded. Samuel Stickler, son of Catherine Stickler, was also charged with having at the same time and place unlawfully assaulted John Moss. Mr. Castle appeared to prosecute. John Moss stated that he was caretaker for the last 10 years of the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Leichhardt. On the 31st of last month three cows, the property of Mrs. Stickler, trespassed in the cemetery. Witness went for the poundkeeper, who sent his boy to take charge of the animals. Witness was assisting the lad to drive the cows to the pound, when Mrs. Stickler shook her clothes and rushed the cattle away, and thus turned them into a different direction to which witness was driving them, and through her efforts in this direction the cattle were not impounded. Her son, who was in a milk cart driving along, drove round and, when near witness, he raised the whip in his hand to strike witness on the head but was prevented from so doing. Mrs. Stickler denied having tried to prevent the cows from being impounded, and her son also denied raising the whip to strike Moss. Mr. Edwards said he considered the case proved and ordered Mrs. Stickler to pay a fine, with costs, amounting to £1 13s, and her son to pay a fine, and costs, amounting to £1 10s 10d, or each 21 days' imprisonment.

ASSAULTING A COUNCIL CLERK.

At the Redfern Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Johnson, S.M., John Carruthers, age 26, was charged with having, on Wednesday evening, been drunk and disorderly in Elizabeth-street, Waterloo, also with having at the same time assaulted William Allen, council clerk of Waterloo. Further with having damaged a window of the Town Hall at Waterloo, the property of the local borough council, and valued at 10s 6d. Accused pleaded guilty to the three charges. Mr. Allen said as the man was under the influence of liquor at the time, he did not wish to press the charge of assault, and would ask that that might be withdrawn. Accused was then ordered to pay a fine of 10s for having been drunk, in default seven days' gaol, and for breaking the window he was ordered to pay a further fine of 5s, together with 10s 6d, the amount of damage done, in default a further term of imprisonment of 21 days.

AT BULAWAYO.

A correspondent, writing to the *Pall Mall Gazette* from Bulawayo on 27th May, says:—To the wayfarer accustomed to the luxury of travelling in any other part of the world, the journey by Royal mail from Mafeking to Bulawayo (520 miles) is anything but a treat. The mode of transport is by 10 mules in stages of from seven to 20 miles in a conveyance resembling the coaches used in the latter part of the eighteenth century. If the mules were properly fed and attended to, the journey would be accomplished in five days, but the disturbed state of the country would appear to furnish an excuse to the mail contractors to underfeed the cattle, in the hope that the penalties for breach of contract will not be enforced. The country through which one passes almost the whole way is a high tableland with water, if not on the surface, very close to it. It is really, as it appears to the traveller, the very ideal of a cattle country, and the natives themselves have proved this in the singularly successful way in which they raise their herds, in spite of the careless manner in which they breed, never introducing fresh blood. It would, however, require a very sanguine temperament to undertake cattle farming here now, as the whole atmosphere is pregnant with the stench of dead beasts, victims to the scourge of rinderpest. Deserted waggons fully loaded for Bulawayo line the route, and it is calculated that 98 per cent. of the trek oxen have succumbed to the disease, or have been destroyed as a precautionary measure by the police.

From 80 miles out of Bulawayo the coach road is well defended by a succession of forts, some built high on kopjees, and others placed on commanding positions on the higher parts of the tableland, but through the Mangwe Pass one is very much impressed, and for myself I may say alarmed, at the impregnable positions that might be occupied by the Matabele, which would render it very difficult to preserve an open road.

It would seem impossible to account for the immunity that has hitherto preserved the coach from any attack, and theories are numerous as to the reason. One very generally advanced is that the Matabele consider the coach the property of the great White Queen, whom they greatly respect, their grievances being only with the Chartered Company, who are supposed to have offended the Queen, and to have been outlawed.

Another theory, which is perhaps more reasonable, is that the Matabele do not wish to kill all the white men, and that they have left them a route open to escape by, and this is to a great extent borne out by the fact that little damage has been done to house property in the vicinity of the town, as the Indunas intend to occupy the white man's houses as soon as he evacuates, and they are said to believe that when the last white man leaves the country their old chief, Lobengula, will be found alive sitting in the house of the Administrator, which house is built on the site of that chief's original kraal. It is difficult to conceive that one is writing peaceably in the midst of a beleaguered town with 10,000 hostile niggers often within striking distance, and although there is little business being done, the casual visitor would see little difference from any other colonial township, until he came to the market square, in which is situated the main laager where the residents are supposed to take refuge at night. This laager consists of an intricate arrangement of barbed wire and broken bottles on the outside, the inner square being defended by three rows of waggons interlocked, with either a Maxim, Nordenfeldt, or seven-pounder in position at the corners, and dynamite mines laid about 200 yards away.

At various points in the town are other smaller laagers, notably the Africander, to whose force the aggressive defence of Bulawayo has been much indebted, and it is readily conceded by the English combatants that the service rendered by the Africander or Dutch in this war has been such that, without them, they shudder to think of the possible result. It must not be thought that this praise is in any way detracts from the yeoman service rendered by Grey's scouts, Gifford's Horse, and last, but not least, Colenbrander's Cape "boys," who have proved themselves good shots, steady under fire, and thoroughly trustworthy. When the full history of this war is written England will have the names of heroes to add to her already lengthy list. Trooper Henderson, of Gifford's Horse, is one, in his determined rescue of Trooper Celliers, who was wounded and cut off from the main body, and to whom Henderson not only gave his horse, but stuck to him on foot, and after two days and nights brought him into Bulawayo alive, but so badly wounded that he has since succumbed. The women of England are fitly represented by Mrs. White, who, after carrying her three-weeks-old baby five miles to shelter at Campbell's store, on the Insiza, then hotly pressed by the niggers, coolly attended to the wounded and made a fire to provide coffee for the worn-out defenders, with bullets whistling all around.

It is difficult also to praise Khama enough, and it is satisfactory to note that his offers of assistance are now being taken advantage of: some 600 of his men are now fighting shoulder to shoulder with Colonel Plumer's relief column.

Will the Exeter Hall contingent be severe on the treatment of the black in this country, or will they excuse severity when they read of whole families of whites being massacred, the children in some cases slowly tortured to death in view of their parents? They will, I hope, suspend their judgment in the face of the evidence of some who have seen father, mother, and five children all mixed up in a heap, with faces unrecognisable owing to burning before death. It is not possible to furnish a correct roll of the number of whites killed, as a large number of prospectors were out, and the nature of their business makes it necessary to keep as quiet as possible; the estimate now of the number is over 300 massacred and killed in action. What the result would have been had the Matabele attacked Bulawayo before murdering the isolated prospectors we must not think, but the bare facts are that in the town were only 240 rifles, which, on the first night of the scare were served out, Lee-Metford rifles had Martini-Henry cartridges, and vice versa, and confusion reigned supreme. *Punch*, in reference to the last Ashantee expedition, referred to the great scarcity of privates; he might also have his joke here, as it is a distinguished honour to be a trooper, there being such a heavy crop of colonels, majors, &c., but, for all that, where work had to be done good men were found to do it. A modified replica of the Eiffel Tower has been erected as an observatory out of water pipes, an elaborate system of telephone communication has been manufactured on the spot, and many other difficulties have been overcome by scientific men.

Provisions of all descriptions, owing to want of transport, are at famine prices, 1s per lb. for beef, milk at 10s per quart, condensed at 5s 6d per tin; whisky varies from 12s 6d to 25s per bottle, and a whisky and soda will cost you 2s 6d. One thinks twice about indulging in the luxury of a clean shirt with washing at 7s 6d per dozen articles. There are now over 3500 men in the field chasing the niggers. The general impression is that the war will last for some time, as the Matabele are now taking to the Matoppo Hills, where every kopje is a natural fort. It seems generally considered at home that this trouble is all the result of Jameson and his men leaving the country, but really this is only one reason of a multitude which has brought on this war. No doubt had the white police still been picketed all over the district, the consequences would not have been so serious, but at the same time I would ask you to consider that this was a land occupied by a nation of 40,000 born fighting men, against whom 900 men marched, and thought they had conquered with very little fighting. The spirit of unrest has always been rife among the unbeaten army, and the trouble culminated in various ways. In December last year Lugulo (the prophet) learnt of the existence of rinderpest on the Zambesi, and prophesied a disease with which the whites would be unable to contend. During a severe drought he told them, too, that rain would come directly they killed the first white man. This also came off, and the failure of his last prophecy that the white man's bullet would be turned to water he has now excused on the ground that the Matabele disobeyed divine instructions in looting the outside farms and stores.

LOCAL OPTION AND COMPENSATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The opponents of the principle of compensation make much noise concerning the fact that no consideration is given for the closing of an hotel or a bar in America, but they are absolutely silent as to the fact that at least in two of the Australian colonies, where the principle of local option has been introduced, monetary compensation is also provided by the Licensing Act. The question is now of much interest to the public, who I think should be put in full possession of the facts.

Compensation for the cancellation of licenses under a local option vote is the law in South Australia and in Victoria. In South Australia the local option does not extend to prohibition, but provides for an increase or reduction in the number of hotels by a majority vote taken at the instance of one-tenth of the electors, and one-fourth of the electors on the roll must vote or the poll is null and void. The publicans cannot be harassed by yearly petitions and polls, as no change can be made in any district for a period of three years after a poll has been taken. If it is decided to reduce the number of hotels the compensation for both occupier and owner has to be determined by arbitration—for the former by the "loss of his license and business as a publican," for the latter for "the difference between the value of the premises as a licensed house and as an unlicensed house," calculated from the time of non-renewal to the year 1906, or 15 years from the passing of the Act. No compensation is to be paid for the non-renewal of licenses of hotels first licensed subsequent to 1891. All amounts for compensation are to be paid by the Government, but must not exceed in the total for any one year the amount received by the Treasury in the previous year for licenses and permits. No hotels can be closed unless the compensation shall have been previously paid.

In Victoria the system of compensation is almost identical, except that there is a statutory number in each district below which the hotels cannot be reduced.

From the evidence afforded above it is manifest that money compensation is no new invention in the Australian colonies. It is a well-recognised and just consideration, and the action of South Australia in 1891, and of Victoria in 1887, forms a precedent which our legislators in N.S.W. might well take into consideration in connection with Mr. Cook's bill. Money compensation is no new invention as some of our opponents would have the public believe; and as the Government receive over £90,000 annually for licenses it would be no hardship for the Treasury to pay away a small proportion of this amount as compensation.

I am, &c.,
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MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

AUBURN.

At the meeting of the Auburn Council on 9th September, the question of Artlett's works came up again. Some time ago the board wrote to the council, stating that the cart used by Artlett was not properly closed in. This was denied by the council's inspector, and again the board wrote, stating that the inspector's denial was not in accordance with facts, as the Government medical officer had himself seen the cart. The inspector was again asked to report, and this time the inspector's report was of a caustic nature. The next stage was reached at the council meeting on Monday evening, when a letter was received from the secretary of the Board of Health, stating that, after carefully considering all the circumstances in connection with the matter, the board could not approve of the issue of a license under the Noxious Trades Act. The Mayor moved that the firm be notified of the contents of the letter, and that a refund of £10 be made. He said that the board were the masters of the situation, and the council was simply in the hands of the board.

BANKSTOWN.

At the last meeting of this council the Mayor and all the aldermen were present. The finance committee's report recommending the payment of accounts amounting to £30 1s. and further recommending a payment of £5 to the auditors for their services was adopted. The auditors reported that the books are well kept, very clean and orderly, and every assistance was given by Mr. Peek, the council clerk. The Mayor moved, and Alderman Kelly seconded,—"That the Minister for Lands be requested to proclaim Edgar-street a public street." Alderman Kelly moved, Alderman Mitchell seconded,—"That about 40 chains of Stacey-st. be cleared." These motions were carried, and a resolution by Alderman Mitchell,—"That the road to Padstow Park be cleared and stumped," was referred to the works committee.

CANTERBURY.

At the last meeting of this council there were present—The Mayor (Alderman S. R. Larking), Aldermen D'Arrietta, Quinz, Stone, Dennis, Brown, and Scahill. The Burwood Council asked co-operation in opposing the proposal of the Government to form a separate department for the construction of the main sewers of the western suburbs sewerage scheme, there being no details of the Government proposal before the council. The letter was made an order of the day for next meeting, particulars in the meantime to be obtained. The hon. secretary Western Suburbs Cottage Hospital wrote thanking the Mayor for cheque for £35, being the proceeds of a gipsy dance given by the ladies of Canterbury in its aid. The inspector in his report referred to the necessity of the council taking some action with regard to some of the so-called pig and poultry farmers who made a practice of taking in dead and ailing old, and sometimes diseased, horses for food for their stock. Owing to the action of the Premier in excluding pig and poultry farmers from the provisions of the Cattle Slaughtering and Noxious Trades Act, the inspector said he was comparatively powerless to deal with this matter. The provisions of the Noxious Trades Act repealed all laws and by-laws under which these premises hitherto came, and in brought into force most stringent laws and regulations, which, had they been kept in force, would have dealt in the most effective manner with the nuisance complained of. He suggested that the council should approach the Board of Health with the view of having a few regulations gazetted which would effectually deal with the matter. The report was referred to the sanitary committee.

ERMINGTON AND RYDALMERE.

At the last meeting of the Ermington and Rydalmere Council the Mayor (Alderman T. Smith) presided, and Aldermen Jenkins, Spurway, and Humphreys were present. On the recommendation of the finance committee the consideration of the offer of Mr. G. H. Mobbs to dispose of the School of Arts building was deferred till next meeting. The Mayor reported that a public meeting had been held at Rydalmere re the amalgamation with Dundas Municipality, and the proposal had been rejected. He proposed calling a meeting at Ermington for a similar purpose next week.

HURSTVILLE.

At the last meeting of this council there were present the Mayor (Alderman John Thompson), with Aldermen Griffin, Peake, Louden, Sproule, and Frederick G. Thompson. A letter was read from the Under-Secretary of Finance and Trade as follows:—"With reference to the alleged over-payments to your council of Government endowments to the extent of £260, which has recently formed the subject of official correspondence, I am now directed to intimate that the Hon. the Premier and Colonial Treasurer has approved of the amount of such over-payment being deducted from the next endowment to your council." Alderman Fred. Thompson moved,—"That a letter be written to the Treasury, protesting against the stoppage of the £260, and that a full inquiry be held into the matter." The motion was then passed, with a rider by Alderman Griffin attached, pointing out how the matter had been brought under the notice of the Government. The auditors pointed out that upon inquiry from past auditors they found that previous auditors had not been called upon to audit the rate-book, except in one instance, and then only by the express wish of the council, and for which they received extra remuneration. They also pointed out that the Act did not specify that such rate-book was a book of account. The auditing of the books of the council in the past had occupied about 10 hours, for which the auditors had received £3 3s each; but with the addition of the rate-book, which consisted of 10,500 assets, the present auditors had been engaged between 30 and 40 hours, for which they received like remuneration.

PETERSHAM.

This council met on 1st September, the Mayor (A. Rofe) presiding. There were also present—Aldermen Baines, Cockbaine, Hurdern, Lanedon, London, Stevenson, Tuson, and Wheeler. The Burwood Council asked co-operation in protesting against a proposed establishment by Government of a separate department for construction of mains in the extension of the western suburbs sewerage scheme, pointing out that the extra cost would involve heavy interest, to be met by the ratepayers. The request of the council was granted. The Principal Under-Secretary asked for particulars of loans for the information of the Taxation Commissioners, and the clerk was authorised to supply this. The Johnston Estate trustees wrote accepting the council's estimate for works on an extension of Corunna-street, and it was decided to proceed as soon as the street is aligned. The Water and Sewerage Board intimated that it would probably be two years before the remainder of the borough was reticulated with sewer mains. Mr. F. R. Atkinson complained that he had been asked to pay for removal of nightsoil, which his tenants had neglected to pay for, and the council decided that he must pay. The finance committee recommended payment of accounts amounting to £350 1s 2d, and reported the past fortnight's receipts as £321 0s 1d. The Mayor reported that the negotiations for renewal of £4500 had been satisfactorily completed, the 4 per cent. to commence from that day, and interest on portion of the loan £1500 to be paid at 3½ per cent. up to January next. The report was accepted. The tender of Messrs. Caddy and Hughes was accepted for enlarging fence round cricket oval in the park.

PROSPECT AND SHERWOOD.

Alderman Noller, the Mayor, presided at the last meeting of the Prospect and Sherwood Council, held on Wednesday. Aldermen Jamieson, Jones, Hollier, Muston, Carpenter, Clifford, and Miller were present. It was resolved that the Municipal Association be asked for an opinion if, an estate being subdivided with a number of roads through the same, the council can take over any one road, or must the whole if any be taken over. It was also decided that the Railway Commissioners be asked to cause a proper water-pipe to be formed on the west side of the railway line to the south of Merrylands railway station.

ROOKWOOD.

The regular meeting was held on 1st September. There were present the Mayor (Alderman F. Ledbury), and Aldermen Godson, Dundon, Ritchie, Abrahams, Garthwaite, and Gilliver. Alderman Garthwaite said that at the council meeting last week he spoke of a widow woman who could not pay her rates, and the Mayor had promised to attend to the matter. She had now been summoned. The Mayor: Is that not attention? Alderman Garthwaite said the Mayor had led him to believe that the case had been withdrawn. Aldermen then spoke of others who had been summoned. The Mayor: You are an ungrateful lot of aldermen. You set me some dirty work to do, and when I do it I am picked at. The Mayor reported that the committee appointed to consider ways and means of erecting council-chambers, recommended that the sum of £1000 be borrowed, at not more than 5 per cent., for the purpose of securing a site and building council-chambers, with accommodation for a post-office. The revenue expected was £104 per annum—£90 of that amount from the postal authorities for the use of a room for a post-office, £50 of the amount would be paid as interest, £4 in maintenance, and £50 would go to a sinking fund to pay off the principal. The site recommended was where the present post-office stood. The Mayor moved that the report be received and adopted, and, after considerable discussion, the resolution was carried, on the casting vote of the Mayor.

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PASTORAL INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COOLAMON, Thursday.

Six hundred and sixty store cattle, direct from Queensland, travelling to Ariah station, Coolamon, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin owners, J. Strickland in charge.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

The following stock movements are reported:—178 sheep, T. Watson owner, Deniliquin to Melbourne; 140, W. Gibson, Deniliquin to Melbourne; 19 bullocks, Gannain station to Bendigo, W. Naughton owner; 16 cattle, John Hewlet owner, from Tuppal to Bendigo market; 10 horses, Clarke and M'Culloch owners, to Colac and Melbourne; 28 cattle, Mathoura to Bendigo, Watson and Co. owners; 75 cattle, C. Tollet owner, to Bania; 4000 sheep from Barham station to Albury, Wilson and Dougharty owners; 1880 sheep from Tuppal to Melbourne, R. W. Clancy owner; 45 rams from Wanganella to Bellana, South Australia, Elder, Smith, and Co. owners; 350 rams, Wanganella to Lake Victoria; 2243 sheep from Steam Plains to Melbourne Meatworks, Anderson and Co. owners; 75 Boonoke rams to Temora station, and 90 stud rams from Boonoke to Arromong station, via Sydney; 15 Boonoke rams to Wedderview, 125 Boonoke rams to Melyra station, all by rail from Jerilderie; 150 lambs from Wanganella, A. Austin owner, to freezing works, Deniliquin; 797 sheep from Maude to Melbourne, J. Gibson owner; 116 cattle from Tuppal to Melbourne, R. W. Clancy owner; 1066 sheep from Tocumwal to Tarrangerrie, Reynoldson and Russell owners; 670 sheep from Mathoura to Ballina, Tuppal, Mrs. Fallon owner; 4616 from Canoble to Newport, consigned to Hotson and Co.; 16 cattle from Tuppal to Finley, J. Guilleure owner. The total for the week is 16,439 sheep, 270 cattle, and 10 horses. Pasturage is improving slightly since the rain, but we want still more. Stock is in fair condition, and shearing is progressing satisfactorily.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

Seven hundred rams, from Mr. Samuel M'Caughey's Coonong station, passed through to-day per rail to Sydney. They are consigned to Stuart Brothers, Rockwood, near Hughenden, Queensland.

THE FACTORIES BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As the mind of the public seems much perplexed as to the benefits to be obtained by the passing of the Factory Bill, I will with your permission make a few remarks anent the same. Having had practical experience of business life, commencing as an apprentice, afterwards as journeyman, manager of branch establishments, and finally in business for myself, I have invariably found that the shorter hours men are at work the greater opportunity afforded of getting into evil, while but few utilise such leisure with their families or in intellectual pursuits, fully proving the old adage, "for Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." During my apprenticeship in London I, with others, was kept at work every night, with the exception of one night in the week, till 10, and having to reside on the premises was not allowed to be out after 11 o'clock, otherwise the door was bolted and a report handed in by the housekeeper to the head of the firm next morning. The result of such a training has been to me in later years of the greatest benefit. I had no time to frequent public-houses, dancing saloons, racecourses, billiard saloons, and other attractions of like kind, and consequently have no inclination in that direction now.

Many of the clergy recently in advocating the provisions of the proposed bill put forward the theory that increased leisure would result in increased attendances at Divine worship. I am inclined to think in this they will be disappointed. Having a lengthened knowledge of churchwork from the door to the pulpit and as treasurer and secretary of two suburban Sydney churches, I most emphatically declare that if *men of the right stamp* are placed in the pulpit the churches would be crowded out. Take the case of such men as Spurgeon, Morley Punshon, M'Neil, and others. Did the hours the shops were kept open have any effect on the multitudes who flocked to hear them? There are many Ms.A. and Bs.A. in the churches at the present time who fade into insignificance as far as zeal and an earnest desire to win souls for Christ are concerned with many a Salvation Army captain. Notwithstanding the remark made by Rev. G. MacInnes in the Sydney Presbytery last week that to view the calling of a minister as a means to obtain a living for one's family was extremely low, there remains that idea indelibly stamped on the minds of the public that the greatest concern of ministers is to obtain the means to provide for their families, however much they may try to veneer it over, and thus the public ignore them. What the hearts of the people yearn for are not academical acquirements, but true Christian zeal and less mummery of church cants, and then the churches will fill irrespective of business hours. It is a well-known fact that larrikinism amongst all grades of society in New South Wales has reached an alarming pitch, and doubtless with the leisure obtained will further increase. I regret to observe a tendency on the part of many parents and young people to regard *anything* in the way of manual labour as degrading, and to consider it unbecoming to take the coat off to do a day's work, and this feeling acts as an incentive to bring up lads as clerks or, as it is now dubbed, accountants, that term being considered more dignified than clerk, shop assistants, and other kindred employments. While the girls, instead of being sent out to domestic service, are sent to what is termed business. Owing to the glut in the labour market of such folks, the employers obtain their services on their own terms and price. Personally I would make the calling of the shop assistant as unattractive as possible, for it is a scandalous fact that the sons and daughters of working people, many being in indigent circumstances, accept the paltry pittance of 2s and 3s weekly *in return* for their services from many of the large Sydney establishments rather than follow less genteel employments.

There is nothing more painful than to see strong healthy young men and women travelling into Sydney with their bit of cold lunch in a bag to spend their day behind the counter serving out pins and yards of ribbon, or totting up figures in a merchant's office, while we have thousands of acres of land crying aloud for hands to till them; and yet, having this knowledge, the Legislature seems bent on making the life of the city hireling more attractive, to the detriment of the heritage the Creator has given us in the rich pastoral, agricultural, and mineral lands with which we are surrounded, not forgetting the untold wealth in fish existing in the ocean around the coast. In concluding, may I ask the powers that be what would the British race have been now if it had been spoon-fed in the manner proposed by the Parliament of New South Wales? Have they read up the traditions of London, and pondered over the early history of such Lord Mayors as Thomas Kelly, Sidney Waterlow, and Andrew Lusk? If legislation of this pampering sort was abandoned, and an earnest effort made to create a class as the yeomanry of England from the young people who now fritter their useless lives away in the cities, Australia would soon be able to take her place amongst the exalted nations of the earth.

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THE SHIPPING OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

THE STEAMSHIP TRADE.

FRENCH AND GERMAN COMPANIES.

SERVICES WITH CHINA AND AMERICA.

(BY OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

III.

It was shown in our last article that, as trade with Australia increased, various lines of clipper vessels were established by British firms with the object of reducing as much as possible the time occupied by the voyage. Canvas, however, could not compete with steam, and the steamships were gradually increased in size until they reached the gigantic proportions of the magnificent boats which to-day line Circular Quay. The opening of the Suez Canal caused a complete revolution in the shipping trade. Indeed, the great progress which we now note may be justly said to have dated from that time, although sailing vessels and a number of steamers still use the long sea route via the Cape of Good Hope. The first steamer from England to Australia arrived in Sydney on 16th May, 1831. This was the Sophia Jane, 256 tons, and she was intended for trade between Sydney and Newcastle. Wonderful strides have been made since that date. Shipping people the world over are noted for their enterprise. "Voyages of discovery" to Australia were made by "foreigners," who cast longing eyes upon our trade, and branch houses were established in our midst, one after another, by strangers from other lands, so that passengers desirous of travelling to the remote corners of the earth now have a choice of several routes, and can make a selection to suit their time and means. French, German, and China companies offer special facilities to tourists to visit other lands; America and Canada have for many years been in direct communication with Australia, and "Round the World trips" can be arranged with ease.

Special inquiries which have been made show that the shipping business has been steady and increasing. The histories of the various companies present several features in common. All have been enterprising; and apparently all have been successful. Development of trade has followed upon small beginnings. The fleets of the different companies grew as year followed year, each succeeding steamer having more space for cargo and being more luxuriously fitted as regards passenger accommodation than its predecessor. The admitted fact is that no one company can afford to be behind the other. Each has to keep pace with its rival. Every scientific improvement, either in machinery or in the fitting of vessels, has been gradually introduced, and the steamers engaged in the Australian service of to-day certainly rank amongst the best in the world. One pleasing aspect of the case is that inquiry at the various offices elicits the fact that, although competition is keen, and freights are low, and vessels occasionally depart with half a cargo only, there is a firm belief amongst shippers that, as time goes on, the ocean carrying trade will increase and justify the use, not only of the magnificent fleets which are possessed to-day, but even more numerous and powerful ones, as Australia gradually develops and takes her place amongst the great nations of the earth.

The fleet of the Messageries Maritimes Company is a very extensive one. It has special steamers on each service; but the largest and best boats are undoubtedly those on the Australian and New Caledonia lines. The different services are—1, India, China, and Japan; 2, Cochin China; 3, Australia and New Caledonia; 4, the Indian Ocean; 5, River Plate and Brazils; 6, the Mediterranean and Black Sea. To Australians in search of knowledge there is sometimes a special charm in "going home" in a foreign steamer. No inconvenience is experienced, for English stewards are carried on all the French boats, and all the officers are acquainted with the English language. The overland journey from Marseilles to London occupies about 20 hours; but if a passenger has no special reason for hurrying through the Continent he may leisurely travel over France during the fortnight for which his ticket is available. Concerning the company itself, it may be stated that it was formed in 1852, with the object of running subsidised postal services in the place of the Government steamers. At first the postal services were limited to the Mediterranean coast; but they have since gradually extended to the Black Sea, the Atlantic, the Indian Ocean, and the Pacific. Besides the postal routes subsidised by the French Government, the company run other subsidised and non-subsidised lines. The Sydney service was commenced by the running of the s.s. Natal, which left Marseilles on 23rd November, 1882, and reached Sydney on the 7th January in the following year. The service since that time has been continuous. The Australian fleet of the company has been reorganised, and five splendid vessels of over 6500 tons each are now at the command of the public. What can be done in the way of quick passages is shown by the Polynesien. This steamer left Marseilles on the 16th August, and is expected to arrive in Sydney on the 16th September. She will thus be exactly a month on the voyage. How different from the olden times when 100 days to Australia was looked upon as a "good run."

There are two German companies trading with New South Wales. The Norddeutscher Lloyd Steamship Company was established at Bremen in 1856. A line of steamers was run between Bremen, Hull, and London. Subsequently a line to and from New York was formed, and a few years afterwards the West Indies was included within the company's scope of operations. In 1878 a line to Brazil and the River Plate, via Antwerp and Lisbon, was established. In 1887 the German Government became desirous of encouraging German commerce with Australia and Eastern Asia, and of despatching a regular mail under the German flag to those parts. The tenders of the Norddeutscher Lloyd Company were accepted for a main line from Bremen to China, with a connecting line to Japan; a main line to the Australian continent, with a connecting line to Samoa and Tonga; and a branch line from Brindisi to Port Said. The new lines were opened in July, 1886. The first steamer to arrive in Sydney was the s.s. Lubeck, which afterwards ran to Tonga and Samoa. She anchored here on 1st September, and was followed two days later by the main line steamer Salier. The steamers on the Australian service at that time were about 3000 tons, and ran at the rate of between 11 and 12 knots per hour. The steamers now on the line are all over 5500 tons, and can run up to 20 knots per hour. But even this is not sufficient. At the beginning of next year four new steamers of 13,000 tons will be added to the fleet. They will have twin screws, and there will be two independent engines to drive them. The passenger accommodation will be on a lavish scale, whilst the space available for cargo will be almost unlimited. The company, therefore, has every confidence in "a future," so far as Australian shipping is concerned.

For the express purpose of developing German trade in the Pacific the Deutsch-Australische Dampfschiffs Company was formed in Hamburg in 1888. Its fleet consisted of seven steamers, which were named after the great industrial centres of the German Empire. They were of steel, having an average tonnage of 3500, and attained an average speed of 11 knots per hour. The steamers were constructed chiefly with the view of serving as cargo boats, but at first a number of steerage passengers were carried. Again increase of trade is reported. The vessels which the company commenced with have been found to be too small. For this reason two of them have been sold and three new steamers have taken their place. These are the Sonneberg, the Flensburg, and the Augsburg. They are each of 7000 tons capacity, and are superior boats in every respect. A fourth steamer of similar dimensions will be launched in March next. The Augsburg, by the way, is now on her maiden trip, and this will complete the hundredth voyage in the service. The boats run once a month, but extra steamers are put on as required during the wool season, and the company is under contract with the Belgian Government to call at Antwerp on stated voyages.

China and Japan are yearly growing in favour as holiday resorts, not only with "globe-trotters" generally, but also with Australians in search of relaxation. The Eastern and Australian Steamship Company and the China Navigation Company have large ships running to these ports. The first-named company is the pioneer line. It was established in 1873 for the purpose of opening up a trade between the Australian colonies, Java, Singapore, and Hongkong, and also for the conveyance of mails between Queensland and Great Britain in conjunction with the P. and O. Company. Operations were commenced with five chartered steamers, but within 12 months the company had vessels of its own built. Three steamers came out in 1874, two in 1875, and one each in the years 1876 and 1878. In 1882 the Catterthun and the Tannadice were added, followed by the Guthrie and the Airlie in 1884. The present steamers—four in number—are fine specimens of naval architecture, and are replete with every convenience for the comfort of passengers. They are between 2000 and 3000 tons, the total tonnage aggregating 11,000. The latest addition to the fleet, the Australian, has already been described in the *Herald*, and it is sufficient to state here that she can hold her own with any mail boats trading to the port. She has just sailed on a trip to Japan with a large number of passengers, and she is so well liked that already berths are being booked in advance.

The rival company—the China Navigation Company—was established some 20 years ago for the purpose of trading on the China coast. It was not until the year 1883 that the Australian service was inaugurated with four steamers of 1750 tons each. Owing to the increase of trade four new steel steamers—the Changsha, Chingtu, Taiyuan, and Tsinan, each of 2300 tons—were built by Scott and Co., of Greenock. The accommodation for passengers is excellent. The route is from Hongkong to Sydney and Melbourne, via Port Darwin and the principal Queensland ports, and the trip is one of a most charming character. One special advantage by these companies is that passengers can book to a Chinese or Japanese port, or through to Europe and America, and thus practically make a voyage round the world.

A "trip to America" and back is now of every-day occurrence. Passages are booked by the Union Steamship Company of New Zealand. This company, which was formed in 1875, at first confined its trade to the coastal services of the neighbouring colony, with an occasional extension to Sydney. In 1878 the company purchased the steamers and interests of Messrs. M'Meckan, Blackwood, and Co., of Melbourne, and in this way the entire intercolonial and the bulk of the New Zealand coastal trade passed into its hands. The connections of the company have extended with its fleet. In 1885, in conjunction with the Oceanic Steamship Company of San Francisco, it took up the mail service between the colonies and America, and has retained it ever since. In 1891 the plant and business of the Tasmanian Steam Navigation Company were acquired. Besides the New Zealand coastal and the intercolonial services between New Zealand, Tasmania, and Australia, the company runs regular services to the Fijian, Samoan, and other of the South Sea Island groups, and also makes periodical connections with Calcutta. The fleet of the company engaged in regular employment numbers over 52 steamers, with an aggregate tonnage of 58,000. The head office of the company is in Dunedin, and it possesses 30 branches and agencies throughout the colonies.

But the steamship companies in our midst are legion, and reference to others must remain over for a future article.

MAYORESS'S RECEPTION.

The monthly reception of the Mayoress (Mrs. Ives) was held yesterday, and was a pleasant function. The well-appointed rooms on the southern corridor of the Town Hall, where the visitors were received, were decorated, and the Mayoress was assisted in the reception and entertainment of those who attended by the Mayor (Alderman I. E. Ives), Mr. Herbert Ives, and Miss E. Ives. Mr. Jules Simonsen sang "Flowers from My Sweet" and Adams's "Island of Dreams;" Miss Bethell sang "For All Eternity" and "In the Distant Land;" and M. N. Boffard also took part, his "Raphelletoi!" being especially appreciated. Mrs. Simonsen accompanied the singers. Amongst those who left cards were the following:—

Dr. R. Bowman, Dr. and Madame Rougier, Alderman Thomas and Mrs. Jessep, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bryen, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bilsborrow, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Dearin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Guy, Mr. and Mrs. G. Harris, jun., Mr. H. F. Halloran, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hennessey, Mr. and Mrs. G. M'Rae, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Mansell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Manton, Mr. Baldwin Mathias, R.N., Mr. S. Payne, R.N., Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Quirk, Messrs. J. Rattray, W. G. Summerbell, H. Sadler, F. R. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Usher, Mr. and Mrs. J. Vint, Mr. J. W. Wilkin, Mr. F. A. Wright, Mr. Mrs. and Misses Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Locke and Miss Nellie Macarey, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hamilton Oakes, Mr. and Mrs. J. Parker, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Terry, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilkin, Mrs. Bryant and Miss Alice Bryant, Mrs. A. R. Barry and Miss Barry, Mrs. Baldwin Mathias and Miss Thompson, Mrs. G. V. Baily and Miss Baily, Mrs. W. Guy, Mrs. W. J. Green and the Misses Green, Mrs. E. R. Halloran, and Miss W. Sircom, Mrs. and Miss Pickard King, Mrs. C. M. Kellick and Miss Daisy Hall, Mrs. and the Misses Marshall, the Misses Manton, Mrs. Percy Oakes and Miss K. Douglas, Mrs. R. H. Reynolds and Miss Reynolds, Mrs. G. K. Sircom and the Misses Sircom, Mrs. and Miss Sadler, Mrs. F. A. Wright and the Misses Wright, Mesdames Lindsay Browne, N. O. Bull, R. Bowman, C. Bilsborrow, D. J. Brown, S. J. Bryen, W. T. Ball, J. Goldberg, F. J. Ives, A. H. W. Hill, W. Hordern, J. Stoneman Lane, G. Landers, D. Mitchell, J. J. Marshall, G. Morrison, R. Nesson, J. O'Byrne, E. J. B. Playfair, H. P. Ramsay-Copeland, J. S. Thomas, Wells, C. Russell, Watson, G. Wangenheim, J. C. Waine, Young, and Misses S. Blackston, Brigg, C. A. Ball, L. Bethell, N. Bethell, Collins, Chatfield, Ellis, Hordern, Inglis, L. Johns, F. Mitchell, J. Mitchell, Moore, M'Ilwraith-Harper, O'Connor, Overell, Pope, R. and L. Cohen, N. Samuels, A. Tilson, and L. E. Watson.

A THEATRICAL MARRIAGE.

Mr. Scot Inglis, the juvenile leading man of the Potter-Bellew Company, was married at noon yesterday to Miss Yda Hamilton, the youthful American actress who has been playing *ingénue* roles throughout Mrs. Potter's present Australian tour. The known beauty of the young bride and the popularity of the bridegroom, coupled with the universal desire to witness a theatrical wedding which seems to be implanted in the female breast, led to an immense assemblage of the populace. St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church being but a stone's *throw from* the Oxford Hotel, where Mrs. Potter and the bride were staying, there was one continuous crowd from the hotel to the church, whilst the interior of the sacred building was so crammed with people, nearly all women, that very few of the invited guests either saw the bride or had the faintest idea of what was going on. The babble was like that of the Stock Exchange on settling day, so that at times even the organ voluntaries (played by Mr. Dupayne) were hardly audible. When the news spread that the bridal procession was in sight, nearly the entire congregation stood upon the seats of the church, the hustling was disgraceful, and in the general scrimmage which ensued the stone font was knocked down and broken in two pieces. The whole scene, in fact, recalled that which attended the marriage of Miss Essie Jenyns at St. Andrew's Cathedral, in December, 1888, and was equally deplorable.

Punctually at noon the bridal party arrived, and, with the aid of a constable, edged their way into the church. Mrs. Potter, walked up the aisle with Mr. J. C. Williamson. She was artistically gowned in a black skirt and French-cut bodice in which a tint of pale leaf-green predominated. Her appearance greatly stirred the public interest. Almost immediately *after*, the bride *herself*, radiant in white satin and lace veil, a lovely wreath of real orange blossom crowning the girlish head, the costume everywhere adorned with the same natural flowers, and a fragrant bouquet in her hand, entered upon the arm of Mr. Kyrle Bellew. Mr. Scot Inglis was accompanied by his brother, Mr. R. J. Whalley, as best man, and the bridal party also included Mrs. Arthur Kendall, Mr. W. J. Montgomery, and Mr. C. R. Bailey. The Rev. John Ferguson, standing in the midst of a dense crowd which had invaded the chancel, and had surged up both staircases into the pulpit itself, read a shortened form of the marriage service in a loud, clear voice, and Mr. and Mrs. Scot Inglis and their party then followed the officiating minister into the vestry. The entries on the register recorded the fact that Thomas Inglis Whalley, of Victoria, actor, the son of Robert Whalley and Joan Inglis, had married Yda Penelope Lindsay Hamilton, 17 years of age, actress, of Kentucky, daughter of Ashby Hamilton and Jessie Lindsay; witnesses, Cora Urquhart Potter, R. J. Whalley, and Kyrle Bellew. After the return of the bridal party to the Oxford Hotel, a crowd of persons assembled in the street, and cheered until Mrs. Potter and the bride had bowed to them from the balcony. In the afternoon Mrs. Potter held a reception in honour of the occasion, when Mr. and Mrs. Scot Inglis were cordially congratulated by a host of their friends and acquaintances. Mr. H. W. Webb, of King-street, supplied the bride's trousseau.

SALE OF WORK AT MARRICKVILLE.

Yesterday afternoon a sale of work was opened in the Excelsior Hall, Marrickville, in connection with St. Clement's Anglican Church, Marrickville, and in the presence of a large audience. The opening ceremony was performed by Miss Snowdon Smith, The Rev. A. E. Bellingham, M.A. (incumbent), presided. The chairman, in introducing Miss Smith, said that five years ago the Primate had placed him at the head of St. Clement's parish with instructions to get the heavy debt then existing upon the church buildings reduced. The amount at the time was £2000. He was very happy to say that the task, by the kind aid of the people of the district, was almost accomplished. During the five years he had been with them they had been able to pay each year all interest and current expenses due, as well as £500 annually off the debt on the buildings. They had also had two additions made to the church at a cost of £500, which had also been paid for. There only now remained under £200 of the principal, and he hoped the present would be the last public effort that would be required to be put forth in that direction, and at the close of their sale of work they would be able to say St. Clement's Church was free of debt. (Loud applause.)

Miss Snowdon Smith, in declaring the sale open, said the Primate very much regretted his inability to be present, but he desired that she should express his gratitude to the parishioners of St. Clement's Church for the excellent efforts put forward by them from time to time in the matter of the reduction of the debt on the parish. Miss Smith then expressed her own pleasure at being present, and declared the sale open.

Mrs. Langley, on behalf of the ladies, presented Miss Smith with a basket of spring flowers.

The stalls were in charge of the following ladies:—

Fancy goods stall, Mrs. Langley and the Misses Barnes (2); linen stall, Mrs. Sinclair, Mrs. Thomas, and Miss Bellingham; apron stall, Mrs. Ogden and Mrs. Kay; flower stall, Miss Coates and Miss Meldrum; toy and fancy stall, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Evans, and Miss Humphries; produce stall, Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Date; sweets stall, Mrs. Garratt; art stall, Mrs. Cuthbert; tea-room and refreshment stall, Mrs. Brentnall, Mrs. Read, Miss Cleeves, and Miss Warner.

PROHIBITION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Mr. Glover, in answer to my previous letter, challenges the accuracy of my statement that prohibition has been a failure wherever tried. He states except in the case pointed out by me, and occasional *failures* due to some great flaw in the Act that it has done all that was ever claimed for it. He would lead you to believe that if you adopt prohibition crime will vanish as quickly as the morning mist before the rising sun. In the year 1892 the Governor-General of Canada brought into existence a Royal Commission to investigate the liquor question. This commission sat for three years and dealt most exhaustively with this subject and now report. As to the alleged evils of the traffic the commissioners indulge in the truism "Such as do arise flow from the misuse of the article." Of much more importance are the conclusions with regard to crime and insanity; it was found that the more serious offences as forgery, &c., are committed by those who do not over-indulge in intoxicants, that more cases of homicide occur amongst total abstainers than drunkards, and that between 1871 and 1891 the insane increased in a greater ratio than the population while the consumption of liquor had materially decreased. A large portion of the report is devoted to the Scott Act in Canada, and the conclusions confirm the general opinion that this has been a failure. The commissioners report that "nowhere has prohibition stopped the use of liquors as a beverage," and they "do not believe that the social condition of the people of Canada would be improved by prohibition."

What stupid and foolish men the members of the British Government must be to call into existence a Royal Commission composed of some of the ablest intellects in England to report on the best means to regulate this traffic when, according to Mr. G., there are 1500 (?) parishes in the province of Canterbury, England, in their midst where there is no liquor shop and where the people are prosperous, contented, and happy. This is the panacea for the alleged evil.

The public at times swallow a lot, but I do not think at present they are prepared to swallow this.

I am, &c., ARGUS.

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METHODIST UNION.

OBJECTS OF THE MOVEMENT.

THE FINANCIAL ASPECT.

The Rev. W. Woolls Rutledge, of the Centenary Hall, who for some time past has been at the head of the movement in favour of Methodist union, was interviewed by a representative of the *Herald* yesterday in regard to the views of the advocates of the scheme which is now being voted upon by the adherents of the Wesleyan Church throughout the colony. Questioned as to the advantages of union he said:—

"There are numerous reasons why the amalgamation of the different branches of the Methodist Church should be effected. Among these reasons are—1, because we have a common origin and there are no essential differences in doctrine, polity, or form of worship; 2, whatever reasons may have originally existed leading to separation have now all passed away, and no valid reasons have been shown why the present divisions should continue any longer; 3, the continued separation of those who might and ought to be united is the cause of much friction and unholy rivalry; 4, in the eyes of the outside Christian public separation seems little less than a scandal to religion, and we ourselves often feel ashamed when we attempt to explain our differences, recognising as we do how small they are; 5, whatever differences may exist are mainly of a financial character, and are not insuperable, and it cannot be right that financial considerations should be allowed to stand in the way of the spiritual interests of Christ's kingdom; 6, a united Methodism can at a less cost do more for the spiritual and social uplifting of the people than three or four separate units can possibly accomplish; 7, as all parties agree that organic union must come sooner or later, delay in effecting union will only intensify the friction and increase the difficulties. Therefore, if union is ever to be accomplished, the sooner the better."

"Then you think that the time has arrived for the consummation of union?"

"Yes, the position is this: For the last 15 years both the General Conference and the annual conferences in all the colonies have been passing declaratory resolutions in favour of organic union; but it was not until the General Conference of 1894 that definite action was decided upon. That conference gave the annual conference permission to unite in any one colony with any or all of the other branches of Methodism, and also, 'pending organic union and as a means of hastening its approach,' directed the formation of federal councils with authority to collect information and take active steps. As a matter of fact New Zealand has already acted upon that permissive legislation, and has effected union between the Wesleyan Methodists, the United Free Church, and the Bible Christians."

"The vote in Victoria has been most favourable to union?"

"Yes, the scheme has been adopted by an overwhelming majority. If there is any difficulty anywhere, financial or otherwise, in the way of the consummation of union it is in Victoria, and yet that colony has taken the lead in the movement. If there is any colony in the group where union is not only practicable, but really easy, it is New South Wales, simply because the Methodist Churches other than the Wesleyans are comparatively small. The only other branches of Methodism in this colony are the Primitive Methodists with 27 ministers, and the United Methodist Free Church with four ministers. The vote is now being taken in South Australia and Queensland, and even larger majorities are expected than in the case of Victoria."

"What is the probable result of the vote in this colony so far as you can judge?"

"Well, we are confident and hopeful, and anticipate a very large majority in favour of the proposal. It is scarcely likely that the people of this colony, to whom the matter is now referred, will consent to New South Wales standing out in the cold. The advantages of union are obvious. I may say that as far as the principle of union is concerned there is practically no division of opinion, at any rate the number of those who object to union on principle is infinitesimal. There are a few—very few—whose conservatism and prejudice interfere with their actions. It is generally conceded that it is unwise in policy, a waste of forces, and perhaps a little less than scandal that three or four branches of the Methodist Church should be competing against each other in the same locality. While there have been many reasons in the years gone by for the different separations, not one of the reasons now exists. That being so, the question at the present time is not why should we unite, but what possible reason is there against amalgamation?"

"Are there financial difficulties to contend with?"

"No; the only ground of objection now urged against union by the opponents of the scheme is as to its practicability, and the federal council after collecting information and investigating the question in all its bearings has by a large majority arrived at the conclusion that there are no insuperable barriers to the consummation of union from a financial point of view. The statistics which have been compiled show that the circuit income of the Wesleyan Church is 7s 9d per adherent per annum, of the Primitive Methodist Church 8s, and of the United Free Methodist Church 8s 6d. The figures also show that the trust revenue per adherent per annum is in the Wesleyan Church 3s 1d, and in the Primitive Methodist Church 1s 5d, but the income from this source could not be ascertained from the United Free Church. *It has further* been found that the trust debts per adherent are in the Wesleyan Church £2, in the Primitive Methodist Church £1 19s 10d, and in the United Free Methodist Church 15s 11d. The conclusion is that in the United Methodist Church under the scheme amalgamation the average liabilities per adherent will not be greater, but, in fact, a trifle less than in the present Wesleyan Church. There have been several attempts made, not always in the fairest spirit, to discredit the statistical information, but in every case when we have gone into particulars the criticisms have been either explained or refuted."

"How do the other Protestant Churches look upon the proposed union?"

"The Christian Church outside our own denomination has on many occasions expressed its astonishment that there should be any hesitancy in effecting union, believing as it does that united Methodism would not only be a gain to the Methodist Church itself, but also a gain to the Church of Christ at large. At the last conference the large majority of the laity favoured not only the principle of union but also its consummation in the year 1900."

"In the event of the scheme being adopted, when is it likely that the amalgamation will be effected?"

"We do not propose to give immediate effect to the scheme should it be adopted. What we do propose is that the amalgamation shall take place gradually. Should the union movement progress as rapidly as its most ardent supporters desire the final consummation cannot possibly be arrived at earlier than the year 1903. If the 1897 conference definitely decides upon union at least a year or two will have to elapse before the necessary legal enactments can be obtained, and after that a further period of five years will have to pass during which the amalgamation will be gradually effected, so that from the present time it will be six or seven years before union can be finally accomplished."

"The Wesleyan body has been put to some expense in connection with this movement?"

"Yes; we have already expended a considerable sum in the collection and printing of statistical and and other information; and should the conference, after all that has been done, decide not to proceed or to drop the negotiation, then there will have been a waste of money, not to speak of time, for which the opponents of union must be held responsible."

"When is the result of the plebiscite likely to be known?"

"The vote is now proceeding, and all the papers must be returned by the 27th instant. The great bulk of the votes of the adherents of the city and suburban churches will be recorded during the coming week. The voting papers have been distributed throughout the colony, and the result, which it is anticipated will be favourable, will be made known shortly after the closing of the poll."

THE OPPONENTS OF THE SCHEME.

VIEWS OF THE REV. W. CLARKE.

With a view to ascertaining the views of those who are in opposition to the scheme for Methodist union the Rev. W. Clarke was interviewed by a representative of this journal. Questioned as to whether he was opposed to Methodist union he replied:

"No; I have always advocated a closer union by interchange of pulpits, united sacramental and fellowship meetings between the several Methodist Churches, so as to promote 'the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace,' and exhibit to the world that though we are separate bodies we are one in the spiritual sense; that the Saviour prayed 'that they may be one even as we are one.' But I have been and am opposed to organic Methodist union. I have, therefore, never voted for any resolution which asserted that organic union would 'be to the glory of God.'"

"Have you any objection to state your reasons for opposition to organic union?"

"None whatever. I think that the spiritual efficiency of the several Churches united will be less than the spiritual efficiency of the several Churches in their individual capacity. Each Church has its own providential sphere appointed for it by the Great Head, who appoints to each Church its work according to its ability, "as He divides to each" individual Christian "severally as He will." Therefore, each Church will accomplish more good, and will be the means of furthering the interests of the Redeemer's Kingdom more by working on its own lines, than if the whole were united."

"You, then, believe in denominationalism as a Providential arrangement?"

"Yes. I believe where there is life there will be, must be, variety. Death produces uniformity. There is a variety of flowers, and a variety in the same species of flowers, as we find there is a great variety of roses. Yet, they are all roses. There are constellations in the sky. There is denominationalism in Heaven—principalities, powers, angels, cherubim, seraphim. I believe, also, that the different types of Methodism are of very great value. The external and mechanical union that is sought can only be brought about by repression. To my mind differences of organisations are not only scriptural, but necessary. All minds are not cast in the same mould. To force men to observe the same Church polity is to repress individuality, and to restrain liberty. In the variety of Methodist polity we have a variety adapted to meet the variety of mental organisations. The different Methodist Churches are all striving together for the spread of the Gospel, and the salvation of men. We are inspired by the same spirit. Then why not leave every Methodist Church to work in its own way? To me it is quite as unnatural to make all Methodist Churches alike as to try to make all roses of one type. At present there is a division of labour, and this is necessary in the Methodist family as in the social system. Variety also obviates the danger of stagnation, produces healthy competition, and stimulates to holy action."

"But surely you will admit union is strength?"

"I will admit that, but uniformity is not union. Were we to have Methodist organic union next year, instead of union we should have disunion. There is a large, and I may say an influential element within our own Church against organic union, and to my mind it is a thousand pities that those who are endeavouring to promote organic union do not see that if it be effectual, instead of the union which the Redeemer prayed for, there will be friction and disunion during the present generation. In the event of organic union, the members of the minor Methodist bodies will endeavour to form the polity of the united Church according to the principles of their present respective Churches. And who can blame them? Their principles are as dear to them as ours are to us. This endeavour to change will produce friction and disunion. No Church can prosper while there are dissensions within itself. These discordant views on Church polity must weaken the efficiency of the united Church for many years."

"But do you not overlook that the General Conference has laid down the basis on which the Churches are to unite?"

"No, I have not overlooked that fact. The members of the minor bodies 'accept the basis for the present,' and they have said frequently that their polity is different from ours, and that they are wedded to their own, and once they have 'come in' they will endeavour to get their principles of Church polity paramount. This is honest on their part, and shows their adherence to what they now believe and hold dear. At one of the meetings of the federal council, one of the leading laymen of the Primitive Methodist Church said 'that they accept the basis for the present.' At the first united committee of the Methodist Churches two at least of the church said—'Once we are united we will not rest until the principles we hold dear become the principles of the united Church.' I say again, Who can find fault with them? Yet anyone can see that the Church courts under these circumstances will not be 'a happy family.' Therefore, organic union will not tend to the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom for this generation."

"Are there insuperable ministerial difficulties in the way of organic union?"

"Oh no; if in the event of union the Church will act, as a correspondent in the *Methodist* suggested, and 'send a number of the ministers to the right-about.' It is not likely that the conference will carry out that suggestion; therefore the difficulties will be very great. Our difficulties in stationing our ministers at present are very great, as so many circuits are appealing to be relieved of married men. The conference is not able to give them the relief they seek, for it has no other circuits to which it can send them, but organic union will accentuate the difficulties, for we shall have at least eight surplus ministers in this colony, provided the organic union is to remedy the evil of 'overlapping.' What to do with extra married ministers in our present state I do not know."

"But if the Churches employ this number of ministers now, you will have the same constituents to support them in the united Church as at present?"

"That is very uncertain. Indeed, I know that we shall not. Many of our people say 'they will not join the united Church, and that in the event of union they will be forced out of Methodism.' Numbers of the minor Methodist Churches will join the Salvation Army and other Churches, for they never have had any affinity with us. The idea of united week-evening services in a country circuit was a failure because the members of the Primitive Methodist body would not attend. I was told by one who knows that the Primitives in a certain city say 'they will not join the united Church,' and in the event of organic union, they will form a Church of their own, so that the united Church will have the ministers and the properties with their debts without the people. Sir Henry Parkes said 'the assets of the colony are its population,' and the assets of a church are its congregations but if the people of the minor bodies do not join our people will have a greater burden than they will be able to bear."

"What status will the ministers of the other Churches have in the united Church?"

"They must have the same status, and will be on an equality with ourselves as to rights and allowances. At present our allowances are higher than theirs. In the event of organic union, even if all their people came over and united with the whole of our own Church, with no loss of numbers from any of the Churches, the United Church will have to raise 37½ per cent. more money than the whole of the Churches do at present, *i.e.*, if all the ministers are to receive allowances equal to what we are supposed to receive at present."

"But that is a matter for the laity?"

"Certainly; if our people will vote in favour of organic union, they vote in favour of the additional burdens, and they accept the additional financial responsibilities."

"In the event of organic union will there not be surplus churches which can be sold and the proceeds devoted to help the finances of the united Church?"

"There will be surplus churches, but in most cases they are mortgaged, and it is very doubtful that the proceeds will be enough to meet the claims of the mortgagee. House property is not saleable at present, and churches are more unsaleable because of the expense that will have to be incurred to convert them to other uses. It is proposed to raise a thanksgiving fund, which will be used in part to place all ministers of the same standing on an equality on our supernumerary fund, and the surplus (if there be any) after paying off the mortgages on the churches sold is to be added to the thanksgiving fund. But as property has depreciated in value, my firm conviction is that in most cases they will not realise the amount of debt upon them. The trustees only, it is true, are legally responsible, but the whole Church will be morally responsible, and can never allow the trustees to suffer personal financial loss in the event that the amount realised is not sufficient to meet the claims of the mortgagee."

INDUSTRY AND CAPITAL UNDER FREETRADE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It is constantly asserted by opponents of freetrade that a free port will crush the development of local industry and render the profitable investment of capital impossible. In view of these forebodings, it should prove interesting to examine how far they are supported by the evidence of several important experiences during the short period that has lapsed since the inauguration of the new fiscal system. As soon as the repeal of the Customs duties became a matter of certainty Messrs. Lever Brothers, Limited, the well-known soap manufacturers of Port Sunlight, England, opened the ball by deciding to establish an oil factory and refinery in Balmain. Since then we have the extensive smelting works now in course of construction at Cockle Creek, and only a few days since we were told by the Premier that one of the directors of the New South Wales Shale and Oil Company assured him that he anticipated his company will be able to make New South Wales—instead of America—the oil reservoir for the whole of Australia. And, again, we were also assured only a few weeks ago by the manager of the Broken Hill Proprietary Silver-mining Company that, notwithstanding the fact that the company had to pay some £15,000 income tax, the advantage obtained by the repeal of the Customs duties far more than compensated for the restriction imposed by the income tax.

These facts give a flat denial to the expressed opinions that a free port must prove disastrous to the interest of local industries, and though I am greatly disappointed that the reform of the fiscal system has, so far, not been established on more perfect lines, *i.e.*, that, while we have a repeal of a large portion of the Customs tariff, an income tax, which is economically unsound and restrictive, has been imposed, while the natural corollary of freetrade, and at the same time its all-important ally—a tax upon the State-earned increment of land values—has been completely bungled and almost entirely destroyed. Nevertheless, by the illustrations I have quoted, we are furnished with some important evidence of the encouragement offered to capital of healthy investment, and the natural spring given to the development of industry by a free port. This points a great moral lesson, from which I ask permission to make a few deductions to show how completely beneficial to the common welfare of the community freetrade must prove if established on proper lines. What form of investment has it been customary to regard as being the most certain and profitable for capital? First and foremost, trafficking in land values—speculating in the State-earned increment of land values. If a few capitalists or a syndicate could obtain the monopoly of some of the best of the natural opportunity—the land—and engineer the construction of a railway or other public works through or in the vicinity of the property, their fortune was assured. The commerce and industry of the whole colony being taxed to provide funds for the administrative functions of the State was a sufficient guarantee of the conversion of such lands into a valuable asset though they might be held absolutely idle. But such investments turn capital into a curse instead of a blessing to the community. What, however, do we find has been the immediate result of the abolition of Customs duties and the consequent removal of restrictions upon industry? A new field is opened to capital—which after all is only accumulated labour—upon which it can find legitimate and profitable employment, and with every effort so expended it becomes a blessing instead of a curse to the community by utilising our natural products, the employment of labour, and the general impetus—all too far-reaching to adequately gauge—which it will impart to all other branches of industry. This is the hopeful picture presented to us, and supported by the four illustrations I have cited as already being the effect of the removal of the unnatural obstructions—the Customs duties—which previously crushed industry and forced capital into illegitimate pursuits. With this evidence before us, then, it is not difficult to understand that very much more may be accomplished with a perfect instalment of fiscal reform, by means of the abolition of the income tax and the amendment of the land tax on proper lines. The appropriation by the State of the State-created value of land would render it unprofitable to hold land idle, and increased production would follow, while capital would not be able to pursue the dog-in-the-manger policy of monopolising the source of the production of wealth, and at the same time rob the community of the fruits of its labour. But with an open field of freedom to produce and freedom to exchange, capital would search, as it is even now doing, for profitable investment in natural channels, and the vast demands for extra assistance in the distribution of the great increase in production of raw material would create such a healthy activity that the prosperity of the whole people would be assured, and the lamentable wailings of the advocates of spoon-feeding industry would be hushed for ever.

I am, &c.,
September 5. WILLIAM HARDING.

A London correspondent learns that no less than £10,250 insurance money has been paid to the relatives of the victims of the Drummond Castle disaster by four different offices. About £2000 more has to be paid by the same companies. The supposed widow of a seaman discovered that her husband missed his ship at the Cape, and having already expended a considerable proportion of the insurance money which had been paid her by an industrial office, she was allowed to resume the policy on her husband's life on guaranteeing the return of the money which she had received and had expended on mourning and so forth for her husband, who has just arrived.

DEPUTATIONS TO MINISTERS.

THE NEW HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT.

Mr. Varney Parkes, M.L.A., introduced a deputation from the Institute of Architects to the Minister for Works yesterday in connection with the designs for the new Houses of Parliament. Among those present were Colonel Rowe, Messrs. J. M'Donald, J. B. Barlow, Kenwood, Pritchard, M. C. Day, Kirkpatrick, Spain, Willshire, Kethel, Halloran, Morgan, Nangle, Sydney Jones, Markes, Robertson, E. S. Spencer, Hadler, Tidswell, H. H. Kemp, Pain, and Ellis.

Mr. Parkes said that the deputation not only represented the city architects, but also those in the country towns, and they came to see if they could not enter into competition for the new Parliamentary buildings, and also for the Exhibition buildings. The State should avail itself of the best talent that could be procured by competition.

One of the members of the deputation read the following statement to the Minister:—"We desire most respectfully, but at the same time most strenuously, to protest against the decision of the board recently appointed to confer with you regarding the designs for the new Houses of Parliament and the proposed Exhibition buildings. As to the former, we consider that a grave mistake has been made in relegating a work of such national importance to the charge of any Government department. In saying this we do not desire to depreciate in any way the value of the Government Supervising Architect's services, but we contend there is every probability that the public would be better served if the work were thrown open to competition. The course recommended by the board in this instance is, we think, without a parallel in modern times, and, furthermore, it is directly opposed to the regulations under which the Government Architect took office. We are also of opinion that in this period of financial depression the course proposed by the board is bad, ill-considered, and obviously unfair to the younger members of our profession, who have little enough opportunity at the present time to develop any latent talent they may possess; for we must not forget that all the most important buildings erected in the nineteenth century are the results of competitions, and that to these competitions many an eminent architect owes the elevated position he has attained. There is also another aspect to the question. We believe we are correct in stating that it was never intended that the Government Architect should undertake the responsibilities connected with the design and erection of buildings of such importance, and to now impose them upon his department must necessarily have the effect of demoralising all its present system and arrangements, and its own work will suffer in consequence. It must also be borne in mind that architectural successes cannot always be manufactured to order, and it might so happen that a man possessed perhaps of less ability would on this occasion produce a more satisfactory design than that prepared by the Government Architect. In any case the choice would be more extended, and many valuable suggestions necessarily obtained. The Exhibition buildings, being only of a temporary character, are of comparatively minor importance, but they are nevertheless of sufficient consequence to merit more consideration than has been bestowed upon them. We are of opinion that the whole of this work should be placed in the hands of a council composed of men eminent in architecture and the fine arts. This course was adopted in connection with the World's Fair at Chicago, with the result that the various buildings there formed the finest architectural group that the world has ever seen. . . . Though it is not contemplated that Sydney should in this instance strive to emulate Chicago, still what has to be done would undoubtedly be carried out in a better way if entrusted to the combined wisdom of many whose business it is to have a thorough knowledge of such subjects. We therefore trust that your Government will think fit to reconsider its action in this matter, and thus save the members of our profession from certain injury and injustice. We cannot too strongly urge this, for we are convinced that to follow the suggestion of the board would be a colossal and expensive mistake."

After several members of the deputation had stated their wishes in connection with the proposed new buildings,

The Minister for Works said that his original intention with regard to the matter was that not only the best talent in the colonies should be obtained, but the best talent from all parts of the world. (Hear, hear.) Certain other things had been brought forward that somewhat altered the aspect of affairs, and it had been thought wiser to place the matter in the hands of the Government Architect. He could sympathise with those young architects who thought that *they had* sufficient talent to make their mark in connection with such a matter. A great many architects had pointed out to him the unsatisfactory way in which all competitive designs were carried out. He was not aware of a single instance in this country where competitive designs had given satisfaction to the architects themselves. He could not imagine any way to get over the difficulty, but he would place the views of the deputation before his colleagues, and if they saw sufficient grounds for changing the decision that had been arrived at he would notify them to that effect.

The deputation then withdrew.

RAILWAY FROM GUYRA TO COFF'S HARBOUR.

A deputation consisting of Messrs. M'Laughlin, Traves Jones, Goodwin, Waddell, Schey, Jessep, Morgan, Millard, F. Clarke, Chanter, O'Sullivan, Mackay, Fitzgerald, and Chapman, Ms.L.A., waited upon the Minister for Works yesterday to urge that the survey from Guyra to Coff's Harbour should be completed.

The deputation pointed out that the survey had been authorised some years ago, but for some reason had never been completed. Before anything was done with regard to the construction of a railway line from Grafton to Glen Innes full investigation should be made respecting the route from Guyra to Coff's Harbour.

The Minister for Works said that before either he or the Government made up their mind to submit for reference to the Public Works Committee any proposal for establishing railway communication between Grafton and Glen Innes a thorough investigation would be made into all the proposed routes for a railway line into that district.

THE NEW RABBIT BILL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Have the goodness to permit me to refer to the above bill through your valuable columns. I will not waste words, but at once condemn it root and branch, as being made from the same web as the Bruce bill that opened the Treasury to any two men, one being a rabbit inspector. This lets syndicates of five at the very meagre treasuries of the unfortunate people settled upon the land. The rabbit pest having reduced the great grazing areas by one half in their carrying capability is of sufficiently serious importance to demand legislative attention without a moment's delay; but care must be taken that no additional burthen is added to an already bankrupt industry. The proposal in the bill to extend the application of wire-netting by the aid of moneys borrowed from the State and otherwise is fatal to the success of the whole measure. An experience extending over 10 years practically dealing with the pest has convinced me of the utter uselessness of netting as an expedient. Rabbits can climb the meshes or the posts, and can leap over 3ft. netting as easy as a cat can. On the member's visit about four years ago a number of rabbit-barked trees were brought into Cobar to show the climbing capabilities of the vermin. Many of the trees were 30ft. high, with outstretched branches, from which every particle of bark had been eaten. Mr. Lyne, Mr. Kidd, some 40 members of the then Parliament, and hundreds of visitors from Sydney and other places saw these. Moreover, our Government magnanimously paid one-half of the Queensland barrier fence to prevent our rabbits invading that colony. Did it have that effect? By no means. Rabbits are as numerous in Lower Queensland as with ourselves.

The reference in the bill to the method in Victoria of loaning Government money to shire councils for netting purposes should not have been made, as the plan is only on trial, and does not appear to catch on. Many of the councils refuse to accept the responsibility of collecting the liabilities of selectors at maturity, fearing that both the netting and land may be abandoned at that date. I may here mention that about 100 tons of dead rabbits are received in Melbourne at present weekly. They are caught by trappers using steel traps, and paid for in bonuses by the freezing and canning factories. No wire netting, no syndicates of five contribute to this great result. Only a few coppers per head, and conversion to a marketable product. In dealing with the rabbit pest, the initial blunder was committed by Chief Inspector Bruce when he took the vermin out of the Stock and Pastures Act and provided special legislation for them that resulted in disastrous failure. If Parliament will amend the latter Act in a few particulars, and put the rabbits back with the other pests, and let the duty of administration devolve upon the stock boards, it may concern itself no further. The stock boards have successfully repressed all the pests in the past, and may well be trusted to cope with the rabbit nuisance in the same inexpensive way in future.

Sept. 6. I am, &c., G. FREW.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In the synopsis of the rabbit account published by you about a fortnight ago I noticed the standard fixed by the bill was 42in. x 1½in. x 17 gauge. Since the last rabbit conference many pastoralists have altered their opinion as regards size of mesh, and I think it is generally allowed that the maximum should be 42in. x 1½in. x 16, and, indeed, this is not proof against very young rabbits, which are well able to obtain their own living. I would therefore suggest that if 17 gauge be used 1¼in. mesh be necessary at least for the first 18in. and 1½in. above that height. I would ask you to invite the opinion of other practical men on this matter, which is of vital importance to the country in general. I am, &c.,

September 10. JOHN M. ATKINSON.

A singular privilege was claimed at the Mansion House Police Court on the 28th July by a man who recently started the business of a wine and spirit seller in the City. He alleged that under an Act of 1816 all the widows and children of Peninsular veterans were allowed to engage in trades free that would otherwise require a license. For the City authorities it was claimed that the Act had been repealed; but Mr. Avory, for the defendant, said that every privilege existing at the date of the repeal had been expressly kept alive. Alderman Alliston took the former view, and inflicted a nominal penalty. Notice of appeal was given.

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MEETINGS.

THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

MOREE TO INVERELL RAILWAY.

Mr. Humphery, M.L.C., presided at a meeting of the Public Works Committee yesterday. Further consideration was given to the proposed line of railway from Moree to Inverell.

Mr. H. Deane, engineer-in-chief of the railway construction branch in the Department of Public Works, was further examined. He said that the question of grade was a dominant feature in the construction of a railway line. In his opinion the proposed line was the best way of connecting Moree with Inverell. The line would only be fenced at different parts, and it was not probable that its construction would be much greater than the estimate. It was proposed to construct bridges of timber. These would be much cheaper for temporary purposes than iron or steel structures.

THE ABORIGINES PROTECTION BOARD.

The usual weekly meeting of the Aborigines Protection Board was held yesterday afternoon at Inspector Fosbery's rooms, 105 Phillip-street. There were present—Mr. Edmund Fosbery (in the chair), Hon. P. G. King, M.L.C., Messrs. James Hill, and A. Berckelman (secretary.) The board authorised the purchase of fencing wire to complete the fence around the reserve at Cowra; of seed potatoes for planting in the reserves at Boambolo, in the Yass district, and at Burragorang; of cooking utensils for use at the camp at Balranald, and of clothing for a number of destitute aborigines at Lake Illawarra. It was also decided to buy seed oats for planting in the reserve near Queanbeyan. A satisfactory report regarding the school in connection with the Warrangesda aborigines' station was received from the Department of Public Instruction. The board decided to apply to the Minister for Lands for a reserve in the neighbourhood of the Hunter Waterhole, in the Wentworth district, for the use of the tribe of aborigines which was discovered three years ago. The local board at Warrangesda were authorised to purchase 700 ration sheep, and material for three additional dwellings.

"MINISTERING BAND."

The monthly meeting was held at Trafalgar House on Saturday afternoon. There was a large gathering. The president (Mrs. Courtenay Smith) presided. The first hour was devoted to the business arrangements for the ensuing month. Plans were made for a bazaar, an excursion to Rest Haven (late Echo Home), and a visit to the Children's Home, Knox-street. A "spelling bee" competition took place, the junior prize being carried off by Minnie Wilson, and the senior by Ethel Hensley. Pledge cards were next distributed, when a hearty vote of thanks was given to Miss Beatrice Fullerton, hon. secretary, for ornamenting them.

WOMEN'S LITERARY SOCIETY.

The Women's Literary Society held its usual meeting on Monday last. Mrs. Stiles, vice-president, was in the chair. The author for the evening was P. G. Hamerton, and extracts from "Human Intercourse" and "The Intellectual Life" were read, after which Miss Hamilton read a paper on "Goethe."

L.M.S. CENTENARY.

A numerously attended local meeting in connection with the celebration of the L.M.S. centenary was held on Wednesday night in the Waverley Congregational Church. The Rev. A. J. Griffith, M.A., occupied the chair. The Rev. Dr. Lawes, of New Guinea, represented the deputation. Speeches were delivered by Mrs. Buzacott, Miss Wylie, and Mrs. F. Binns. Miss Ellard, secretary of the Watchers' Band, was absent through indisposition, but sent an address, which was read by Mrs. A. J. Griffith. A tastefully-arranged basket of Waverley wild flowers, the gift of Miss Hukins, was handed to Dr. Lawes for Mrs. Lawes by Miss Annie Evans. In accepting the gift on behalf of Mrs. Lawes Dr. Lawes referred to the immeasurable value to himself, as a missionary, of the presence and co-operation of Mrs. Lawes. A collection for the society was taken, and during the evening solos were sung by Miss Pulsford and Mr. J. Parker.

BREADCARTERS' PICNIC AT CLIFTON GARDENS.

The eighteenth annual picnic of the breadcarters of the city and suburbs was held at Clifton Gardens yesterday, and as a pleasant outing was fully equal to any of its predecessors. Shortly before 10 o'clock in the morning a couple of steamers (the Courier and the Lobelia) commenced to take the excursionists from the quay to the pleasure grounds, and before 1 o'clock the attendance numbered about a thousand. An excellent programme of picnic sports was gone through, and dancing, the music for which was supplied by the Britannia Brass Band, took place in the pavilion. The general arrangements were in the hands of Mr. W. Lane (president), Mr. T. Watts (treasurer), Mr. W. E. Storer (hon. secretary), Mr. D. Kelly (starter), Mr. G. Bird (judge), Messrs. T. J. Kemm and J. Rae (referees), Mr. T. Watts (sports manager), Messrs. S. Bird, T. Watts, and D. Kelly (handicappers), and others. A good round of races and other amusements were provided for the children. The principal footraces resulted as follows:—100 Yards Hurdle Race: M. Judd, 6 yards, 1; A. Middleton, 7 yards, 2; J. Lockrey, 8 yards, 3. One-quarter Mile Handicap Flat Race: J. Peters, 9 yards, 1; T. Walker, 20 yards, 2; A. Middleton, 18 yards, 3; J. Abbot, 9 yards, 4.

WILLOUGHBY ELECTORATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The monthly meeting of the Willoughby Electorate Horticultural Society was held on Wednesday in the Chatswood Hall. There was a large attendance. Amongst the non-competitive exhibits, that of 36 pansies, distinct varieties, by Mr. James Green, was greatly admired. Whilst the judges, Messrs. G. W. Kershaw and A. Doust, were engaged in making the awards, Mr. H. G. Freeman read a paper on "The Hybridisation of Plants," illustrated with sketches showing the various stages of cross fertilisation.

The following were the awards:—

Continuous Competition.—Open class: 12 miscellaneous blooms, Mrs. D. Carson, 53 points, 1; Mrs. Sayers, 49 points, 2. Amateur: 6 roses, L. Leplastrier, 21 points, 1; Miss Fleming, 17 points, 2; H. Fleming, 14 points, 3. 3 roses: Mrs. Lamb, 13 points, 1; L. Leplastrier, 12 points, 2; Miss Fleming, 11 points, 3; and H. Fleming, 10 points, 4. 6 Miscellaneous cut blooms: Mrs. Drummond, 23 points, 1; L. Leplastrier, 22 points, 2; Mrs. Lamb, 19 points, 3; Miss Fleming, 18 points, 4. 6 carnations: L. Leplastrier, 25 points, 1; Mrs. Drummond, 20 points, 2. Non-continuous, open to all.—6 narcissi, Mrs. Sayers; 24 pansies, James Green. 12 pansies: James Green, 1; Mrs. Sayers, 2. Amateurs: 3 narcissi, Mrs. Drummond. 12 pansies: James Green, 1; L. Leplastrier, 2. 6 pansies: L. Leplastrier, 1; Mrs. Drummond, 2. 3 button-hole bouquets: H. T. Fleming. 2 breast-sprays: Mrs. Drummond. Basket of flowers and foliage: Mrs. Drummond, 1; Mrs. Leplastrier.

THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The defeat of our representative in Monday's race for the sculling championship will ere long be regarded as the very best thing that could have happened, since it will be the means of arousing the Australian public from that attitude of apathetic *indifference* into which they have been lulled by the long continued success of our scullers since Beach avenged Trickett's defeat in 1884. It will be remembered that, although a few of our wealthy citizens gave Beach additional incentive for future contests by raising the Beach Fund out of their own contributions, the great Australian public, who made the most of holding the championship here, never made an effort towards making the then holder's reward a national one. Five years later, when poor Searle's death gave Canada the opportunity of regaining the honour, Stanbury's prowess stood to his country at a time when he was as much needed as was Beach in earlier years; and how grateful we have been! Satisfied that the championship was safe in his hands we cared (little so long as he could come when called upon) whether in the *interim* he had to seek a crust in the waterless wastes of the Milparinka section. Yet bullets are created for cricket and even football experts beside our harbour. Even now in this rabid cyclo-maniac age, it is possible to encourage our sculling champion if the controlling spirits of the many athletic associations arranged for a sports carnival to be held in, say, the five Australian capitals, when a united sum would be raised which, if perpetually invested through trustees for the benefit of the successive Australian holders of the world's sculling championship, would yield at least sufficient income as to preclude the champion from seeking, as in Stanbury's case, "a living in places where sculling is impossible." Moreover, in addition to giving the holder an independence of uncertain support, the creation of such a fund would bring about keen intercolonial rivalry and public interest in the contests for the honour and income. Crude as the idea may appear, I advance it as being the only one for strengthening the arms of the sculler whom sooner or later we are bound to send abroad to regain the laurels lost mainly by our apathy. I am, &c.,

A BUSH NATIVE.

WATSON'S BAY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—As one of the many residents here, I would like to call the attention of the proper authorities to the fact that something should be done as soon as possible for the public benefit, by way of extending the surrendered reclamations on the beach, say from Gap-street to Salisbury-street, which would be the nucleus of further extension in the near future of one of the finest marine parades in Sydney Harbour. Surely this favourite historic and naturally picturesque spot has been terribly neglected in the past, but is now fast coming into favour and demand as one of the best and most healthy residential marine suburbs out of the city. I am, &c.,

FORESHORE.

In the House of Commons on 27th July, on the order for the second reading of the bill founded on the resolution allocating £3,000,000 to the construction of a railway from the coast to the interior of Uganda, Mr. Labouchere moved and Sir C. Dilke seconded an amendment affirming the opinion of the House that no further public funds should be voted for making the railway until more clear and definite estimates of its cost had been presented. Mr. Burdett-Coutts supported, and Mr. T. G. Bowles criticised, the project. The amendment was rejected by 239 against 86, and the bill read a second time.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—September 10.

Maranoa (s.), 1505 tons, Captain W. Sinclair, from Burketown 29th ultimo, via ports, Brisbane 8th instant. Passengers—Mesdames W. B. Govett and 5 children, Gardiner, Casey, Misses Bell, Nolan, Davis, J. Patterson, A. Patterson, Morrison, Hardy, F. Temple, Watt-Tanner, Mayne, Titheradge, Hardy, Winifred Austin, Ward, Messrs. W. B. Govett, J. Kirwan, T. M. W. M'William, A. C. T. Bernecker, T. Coward, W. K. Kenan, D. Proom, L. Patterson, W. Patterson, L. E. Dunn, J. Casey, E. Cunningham, W. A. Coop, B. Phillips, H. A. Coop, J. Brauneley, W. M'Arda, D. Walter, W. Matthews, B. Lee, A. Wilson, C. Armstrong, Gardiner, Harris, Keenan, Majoram, Diederickson, Titheradge, A. Adair, Lewis, Mayne, Casey, Twish, M'Intyre, Gardiner, Master Gardiner, and 15 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Bega (s.), 555 tons, Captain W. G. Hersee, from Eden, via ports. Passengers—Mesdames Northcott, Slattery, Slade, Rixon (2), Misses Howard, Cinns (2), Rixon (2), Messrs. Kession (2), Curtis, Richardson, Stoney, Huntley, Gentle (2), Allen, Murphy, Jones, Trier, Slade, Masters Rixon, and 4 in the steerage. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coomonderry (s.), 146 tons, Captain Duck, from South Coast ports. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Illawarra (s.), 522 tons, Captain Darke, from South Coast ports. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Sydney (s.), 671 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, Limited, agents.

Peregrine (s.), 1660 tons, Captain W. Ellis, from Brisbane 9th instant. Passengers—Mesdames Wellington and 2 children, Wearne, Thomson and child, Randall, Erskine-Scott; Misses Lee, Florence Hope, Messrs. Wearne, Steel, Thomson, Erskine-Scott, J. F. Muller, D. Rankin, C. P. Cox, J. Henderson, H. A. C. Webb, Captain Doyle, and 40 in the steerage. William Howard Smith and Sons, Limited, agents.

Tambo (s.), 532 tons, Captain George Rose, from Hobart 7th September. Passengers—Misses Gage, J. M. Gage, F. M. Gage, May, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Reynolds, Rev. E. H. Thomson, Messrs. G. E. Reid, Provest, Leslie Davis, J. O. Turner, J. G. Brown, F. C. Chumley, W. Smithers, H. C. Le Roy, J. Pace, and 8 in the steerage. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Electra (s.), 345 tons, Captain Edward Farrell, from Richmond River 9th September. Passengers—Mesdames Hodgkinson, Bishop, Misses Hodgkinson, Messrs. W. Bradley, T. Anderson, J. Delaney, M'Queen, T. C. A. Gore, Hodgkinson, Master Hodgkinson, and 5 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Augusta (s.), 201 tons, from Tweed River. B. M. Corrigan and Co., agents.

Wollumbin (s.), 247 tons, Captain J. H. Hunter, from Byron Bay, Woolgoolga, and Coff's Harbour. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. D. Hanley, Mesdames Byron, Langford, Messrs Butler and Maud, and 4 in the steerage. G. W. Nicoll, agent.

Kallatina (s.), 680 tons, Captain John Magee, from Grafton 9th instant. Passengers—Mrs. Huntingdon, Mrs. Leonard, Mrs. M'Grath, Mrs. Watson, Miss Francis, Miss Harkness, Miss Dean, Miss Creighton, Miss Cameron, Misses Huntingdon (4), Dr. Kottman, Messrs. A. Cadell, H. Cocks, T. Frost, J. Huntingdon, J. F. Scott, G. Findlay, F. J. Findlay, G. F. Schonbein, J. Wadley, H. Huntingdon, F. Huntingdon, and 20 in the second cabin. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Alice May, schooner, 60 tons, Captain Champion, from Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands. Hordern Brothers, agents.

Emu (s.), 616 tons, Captain H. Hayman, from Queensland ports. G. S. Yuill and Co., agents.

DEPARTURES.—September 10.

Warrimoo, R.M.S., for Vancouver.
Federal (s.), for Melbourne.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—September 11.

Tekapo (s.), for Wellington, Lyttleton, Dunedin, and Bluff; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne; Maranoa (s.), for Normanton and Burketown, via ports; Emu (s.), for Cairns, via ports; Electra (s.) for Richmond River; Wyoming (s.), for Richmond River, via Newcastle; Illawarra S.N. Company's steamers for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Namoi (s.), for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—September 10.

Warrimoo, royal mail steamer, 3326 tons, Captain C. Hepworth, R.N.R., for Vancouver, via Suva and Honolulu, with passengers as published yesterday, and the following:—Messrs. Laycock, W. Hill, A. Beloso, and S. G. Mullholland.

Ballarat (s.), 1725 tons, Captain J. Sim, for Western Australia, via ports. Passengers—Mr. S. Large, Mr. Bissett, Mr. A. G. Collier, Mr. B. Campbell, Mr. Williams, Mr. H. Williams, Mr. H. Clarke, Mr. J. Forsons, Mr. A. H. Lewis, Mr. O. Smith, Mr. H. W. Wheeler, Mr. F. Henderson, Mr. C. Manuell, Mr. J. H. Jervis, Mr. H. Lowe, Mr. Geo. L. Douglas, Miss Alice E. Dilby, Miss Harris E. Watford, Miss Millington, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Bassett, Mr. A. Cutish, Mrs. Greenway, Miss Greenway, Miss Greenway, Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Thompson, Miss Thompson, Miss Jackson, Mrs. Turnbull, Master Turnbull, Miss Kent, Mrs. Andrew, Mrs. M'Nevin, Mrs. M'Murray, Miss Mason, Mrs. Haffner, Mrs. Hasforth, Miss Hasforth, Miss Hasforth, Miss M. Collier, Miss Haynes, Mrs. Watkins, Mr. F. W. Spence, Mr. R. E. Finlay, Mr. A. Egglestone, Master Egglestone, Mr. E. A. King, Mr. C. W. Wright, W. Lancock, Mr. B. Sheard, Mr. A. Jones, Mr. Wilson, Mr. H. Windsor, Mr. T. Williams, Mr. R. Curtis, Mr. A. Morgan, Mr. J. Williams, A. and J. M'Leod, Mrs. M'Leod, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. D. Thomas, Mrs. Cause, Mrs. Bentley, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Swanson, P. Reynolds, J. Boyle, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. F. Beare, Mr. W. Starr, Mr. A. Howe, Mr. F. Parker, Mr. A. Parker, Mr. F. Browning, and 160 in the steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—September 10.

Advance, schooner, Captain Carlberg, for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—September 10.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Maranoa (s.), from Burketown and ports: 1163 bales wool, 1451 hides, 246 casks tallow, 103 cases extract beef, 395 cases ox tongues, 5320 bags sugar, 50 bales sheepskins, 42 cases pines, and sundries.

Bega (s.), from Eden and ports: 1305 cheese, 55 kegs and 145 boxes butter, 12 cases eggs, 6 cans cream, 1 case 14 bags bacon, 20 cases maizena, 70 bags cattle food, 30 bags bones, 14 bags bark, 20 casks whale oil, 4 casks tallow, 24 bundles hides, 20 bundles skins, 2 bales leather, 11 cases fish, 1 horse, 24 pigs, and sundries.

Wollumbin (s.), from Byron Bay: 45 pine logs, 10 teak and 3 beech logs, 4500ft. sawn timber, 245 cases and 5 kegs butter, 357 bags maize, 47 cases eggs, 6 coops poultry, 49 pigs.

Peregrine (s.), from Brisbane: 204 bales wool, 122 casks tallow, 41 bales sheepskins, 1246 bunches bananas, 15 hogsheads rum, 20 bags bacon, 19 bags potatoes, 25 cases pines, 4769 bags sugar, 12 tins oil, 24 boxes butter, 240 hides, 6 horses, 26 bags oysters, and a quantity of sundries, also a large cargo for southern ports.

Electra (s.), from Richmond River: 813 bags maize, 3 bags peas, 2 bags bacon, 51 bags sugar, 144 mats sugar, 798 sacks sugar, 7 bags peanuts, 62 bunches bananas, 121 cases eggs, 2 cases fish, 5 coops poultry, 50 hides, 31 kegs butter, 176 boxes butter, 7000ft. sawn timber, 8010ft. boxwood, 55 pigs, and large sundries.

Tambo (s.), from Hobart: 9477 bags silver ore, 56 bags malt, 9 bales skins, 3875 cases fruit, 85 cases pulp, 40 cases jams, and a large quantity of sundries.

Kallatina (s.), from Grafton: 1042 bags maize, 224 bags sugar, 75 bags bottles, 6 bags peas, 1741 cases meat, 240 cases eggs, 8 cases fish, 1 case poultry, 37 boxes butter, 18 coops poultry, 12 casks tallow, 148 hides, 6 bales sheepskins, 204 melons, 500 pieces cedar, 260 pieces pine, 5500 spokes, 53 pigs, 1 parcel gold, quantity of furniture, and sundries.

Alice May, schooner, from Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands: 11 drums of oil, 6 casks 6 cases plants, 1 case oranges, 2 cases sundries, 1 bale bags, 24 pine knots.

EXPORTS.—September 10.

Warrimoo, R.M.S., for Vancouver, via Suva and Honolulu: 88 bales iron, 4 bales canes, 5 bales leather, 90 bales skins, 10 bags dyes, 80 bags salt, 50 bags maize, 6 cases rabbits, 6 cases syrup, 8 cases tongues, 7 cases honey, 69 sacks sharps, 28 packages hardwood, 9 coils rope, 125 bags manure, 17 boxes butter, 10 casks oil, 20 casks wine, 7 casks vinegar, 6 bags oysters, 4 cases maps, 20 kegs paints, 32 cases groceries, 35 cases spirits, 10 cases jams, 451 tins biscuits, 393 cases fruit, 69 sacks maize, 98 sacks sugar, 12 cases soups, 24 bales cottons, 12 bales carpets, 4 bales canvas, 5 cases meals, 9 cases cheese, 2 cases ploughs, 5 cases hats, 24 cases drapery, 4 cases plants, 2 dogs, 4 cases rum, 8 cases vegetables, 7 cases hosiery, 1651 packages merchandise, and sundries.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENTS.)

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: September 10, Kongowarra (s.), from Sydney; Aramac (s.), from Cooktown, via ports; Arawatta (s.), from Sydney; Burwah (s.), from Maryborough. Rockhampton.—Departures: September 10, Butershire (s.), for northern ports; India, R.M.S., for London; Lady Musgrave (s.), from Moreton Bay for Bundaberg. Maryborough.—Arrival: September 9, Indianapolis (s.), from Brisbane. Departures: Moonta (s.), for Townsville; Dancing Wave, schooner, for Townsville. Bundaberg.—September 10, Yarrilla (s.) left for Brisbane. Rockhampton.—Departures: September 9, Bulimba (s.), for Sydney. September 10, Mount Kembla (s.), Katoomba (s.), for Brisbane. Townsville.—Arrivals: September 10, South Australian (s.), from Cairns; Meg Merrilies, schooner, from New Zealand. Departure: September 9, Victoria (s.), for Cooktown and Port Douglas. September 10, the Wodonga (s.) called en route at Cooktown from Brisbane. Cooktown.—Departure: September 10, Duke of Argyll (s.), for Brisbane, via ports. The Changsha called in Moreton Bay this afternoon on her way to Hongkong from Sydney.

YAMBA.—Arrival: September 10, City of Grafton (s.), from Sydney. Departure: September 10, Fiona (s.), for Sydney.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: September 10, Chingtu (s.) at 8.30 p.m., Karaweera (s.) at 4.50 p.m., west.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: September 10, Glaucus (s.), from Bellambi; Tainui (s.), from Fiji; Cambria, barque, from Hobart; Culgoa (s.), from Sydney; Cintra (s.), from Sydney; Time (s.), from Adelaide. Departures: September 10, Pateena (s.), for Launceston; Glenelg (s.), for Strahan; Bellinger (s.), for Devonport; Amy (s.), for Devonport; Eadie (s.), for Newcastle; Dovedale (s.), for Sydney; Bells, barque, for Sydney; Asia, barque, for Newcastle.

ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: September 10, Era (s.), from Newcastle; Innamincka (s.), from Melbourne; Flinders (s.), from Esperance Bay. Departures: September 10, Lindus (s.), for Newcastle; Warooaga (s.), for Western Australia.

PORT PIRIE.—Arrival: September 10, Burma, ship, from Rotterdam.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—September 10, Coolson, schooner, anchored in bay; Chindera (s.) a total wreck.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrival: September 10, Oakland (s.) at 9.45 a.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival: September 10, City of Grafton (s.) at 5.35 a.m. Departure: September 10, Fiona (s.) at 10.10 a.m., for Sydney.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: September 10, Samoa, barque, from Geraldton; Namoi (s.), Tamar (s.), Federal (s.), Dunmore (s.), Las Adelphas, barque, from Sydney. Departures: September 10, Age (s.), for Melbourne, with 3180 tons coal and 330 bales wool; Pensacola, barque, for Hongkong, with 1432 tons coal; Mount Carmel, ship, for San Diego, with 2380 tons coal; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2300 tons coal; Zelma, ketch, for Trial Bay; Tekapo (s.), for Wellington, via Sydney, with 1120 tons coal; Tamar (s.), Namoi (s.), Nellie, schooner, Marie, brig, for Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Passed: September 10, Tomki (s.) at noon, schooner at noon, Fitzroy (s.) at 4 p.m., all north; barquentine at 5 p.m., south.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Departure: September 10, Pelican (s.) at 10 a.m., for Macleay River.

TRIAL BAY.—Departure: September 10, Burrawong (s.) at 1.35 p.m., for Sydney.

MACLEAY HEADS.—Arrivals: September 10, Coraki (s.) at 10.15 a.m., from Sydney; Pelican (s.) at 2 p.m., from Nambucca River. Departures: September 10, Tottie, schooner, at 9.40 a.m., Burrawong (s.) at 10 a.m., for Sydney.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Departure: September 10, Empress of India, schooner, at 11.45 a.m. Passed: September 10, Macleay (s.) at 1.45 p.m., north.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: September 10, Peregrine (s.) at 10 a.m., Euroka (s.) at 4 p.m., Burrawong (s.) at 5.30 p.m., all south.

MANNING HEADS.—Departure: September 10, Alfred Fenning, ketch, at 10.45 a.m.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: September 10, barque-rigged man-of-war, painted white at 1.20 p.m., south; Emu (s.) at 1.20 p.m., south.

CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Departure: September 10, Tilanoo (s.), for Sydney.

PORT STEPHENS.—Departures: September 10, Laura, ketch, at 11.35 a.m.; Hilda, schooner, at 11.45 p.m. Passed: September 10, Kallatina (s.) at 11.20 a.m., Electra (s.) at 12.20 p.m., Rebecca, ketch, at 12.30 p.m., all south; Billie Barlow (s.) at 2.30 p.m., north; a steamer flying like PQJK at 4.25 p.m., south; Peregrine (s.) at 4.55 p.m., south.

BARRANJOEY.—Departure: September 10, Hawkesbury (s.) at 6.15 p.m., for Sydney.

BELLAMBI.—Arrival: September 10, Captain Cook (s.) at 6 a.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrivals: September 10, Annie Bow, schooner, at 6 a.m., and Karrara (s.) at 12.20 p.m., from Sydney.

KIAMA.—Departure: September 10, Civility (s.) at 4.30 p.m., for Sydney.

PORT KEMBLA.—Arrival: September 10, Palmerston (s.) at 9 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: September 10, Bergs (s.) at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departures: September 10, Illawarra (s.) at 8.15 a.m., and Coomonderry (s.) at noon, for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: September 10, Wendouree (s.) at 12.20 p.m. south. Arrival: September 10, Mary (s.) at 1.20 p.m.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Departure: September 10, Peterborough (s.) at 10.20 a.m., for Sydney.

BERMAGUI.—Departure: September 10, Allowrie (s.) at 10 a.m., for Tathra.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: September 10, Karaweera (s.) at 2.20 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: September 10, Ville de la Ciotat, F.M.S., at 5.45 a.m., and Chingtu (s.) at 8.30 a.m., Karaweera (s.) at 4.50 p.m., one of the British-India Company's steamers at 5.20 p.m., all west.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed inward: September 10, Cintra (s.) at 6.10 a.m., Colac (s.) at 6.15 a.m., Charlotte Fenwick (s.) at 10 a.m. Passed outward: September 10, Tyrian (s.) at 2.40 a.m., Virawa (s.) at 7.10 a.m., ship and two barques at 8.30 a.m., Vadala (s.) at 11 a.m.

PORT DARWIN.—Arrivals: September 10, Darwin (s.), from Singapore, Australian (s.), from Sydney; Taiyuan (s.), from Hongkong.

ALBANY (W.A.).—Arrivals: September 9, Damascus (s.), at 10 a.m., from Melbourne. September 10, Prinz-Regent Luitpold, G.M.S., at 10 a.m., from Bremen. Departures: September 9, Adelaide (s.), at 3.45 p.m., for Melbourne; Damascus (s.), at 6.30 p.m., for Capetown.

ESPERANCE (W.A.).—Arrival: September 9, Rob Roy (s.) at 6 p.m., from Adelaide.

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 37 years, 50·064.
Average for 38 years from 1st January to 31st August, 30·365.
Total rainfall from 1st January, 1896, to 10th September, 34·190.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m. to-day, 30·223.
Humidity: 9 a.m., 80; 3 p.m., 78.
Temperature—Maximum, 67; minimum, 52.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30·14; Gascoyne, 30·11; Perth, 30·02; Esperance Bay, 29·83; Eucla, 29·93; Streaky Bay, 29·98; Adelaide, 30·08; Robe, 29·97; Portland, 29·88; Melbourne, 30·00; Wilson's Promontory, 30·08; Gabo Island, 30·16; Cape St. George, 30·21; Sydney, 30·22; Newcastle, 30·25; Port Macquarie, 30·36; Clarence Heads, 30·36; Brisbane, 30·34; Rockhampton, 30·31; Mackay, 30·27; Cooktown, 30·19.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M. BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

New South Wales.—Fine, clear, and pleasant generally; cloudy at a few scattered places.
Western Australia.—Fine and clear in northern half, overcast and showery elsewhere.
South Australia.—Fine and clear at south and south-east, elsewhere more or less cloudy.
Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy and near the coast; fine inland generally.
Tasmania.—Cloudy to showery generally.
Queensland.—Fine and clear to fine, but cloudy throughout.
Central and Northern Australia.—Fine and clear generally.
New Zealand.—Generally fine and clear.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN PREVIOUS 24 HOURS UP TO 9 A.M.

Queensland.—Light at a few places on the coast.
Western Australia.—Light to moderate on and near the west coast.
Victoria.—Light and scattered.
New Caledonia.—Fine but cloudy.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Byron Bay, S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Ballina, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S., light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, N.E., fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; South Head, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, N.N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.N.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Ulladulla, calm, cloudy, sea moderate; Bateman's Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Eden, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Green Cape, N., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Gabo Island, N., light, cloudy, sea smooth.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 4ft. 1in.; Balranald, 5ft. 9in.; Bingera, 1ft. 11in., falling; Bourke, 9ft., falling; Brewarrina, 1ft. 4in., rising; Euabalong, 10ft. 8in., rising; Euston, 12ft. 9in.; Gundagai, low; Gundagai, 5ft. 9in., falling; Hay, 7ft. 9in.; Hillston, 4ft. 2in., stationary; Louth, 5ft. 10in., stationary; Mandia, low; Menindie, 8ft. 7in.; Mogil Mogil, 5ft. 1in., rising; Mungindi, 5ft. 6in., falling; Pooncarie, 7ft. 11in.; Tilpa, 5ft. 5in., stationary; Tocumwall, 8ft. 6in.; Wagga Wagga, 6ft. 11in.; Wentworth, 7ft. 11in.; Wilcannia, 6ft. 8in., falling; Yetman, low; Barwon River at Walgett, 15ft. 6in., rising; Namoi River at Walgett, 12ft. 5in., rising; Goondiwindi, low.

3 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Dubbo, N.W., fine, 69; Wilcannia, calm, cloudy, 71; Wentworth, N.W., fine, 65; Eden, E.N.E., cloudy, 6[illegible]; Bourke, calm, fine, 70; Deniliquin, N.W., cloudy, 80; Newcastle, N.E., fine, 67; Forbes, W., fine, 63; Sydney, E., cloudy, 65.

FORECASTS AT 4 P.M.

New South Wales.—Light easterly to northerly winds, weather warm and unsettled.—H. C. Russell.
South Australia.—Warm and fine, with northerly winds, sultry and thundery in parts inland; change to unsettled weather, coming on within two days from the west.—C. Todd.
Victoria.—More or less cloudy, with scattered showers, in a few places thundery; light to fresh northerly winds and moderate sea.—P. Baracchi.

SPECIAL FORECASTS FOR AUSTRALASIA AND OCEANA, BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Fine, but cloudy, soon stormy with strong winds and rain inland under the influence of the Antarctic disturbance "Adria."
Western Australia.—Rainy, with strong winds south and south-east from Geraldton; fine in the far north.
Northern Territory.—Fine generally with a tendency to electric disturbances approaching under the influence of the Antarctic depression "Adria."
Queensland.—As before advised, thunderstorms are developing in the far interior, with strong northerly currents, and such will be likely to travel eastward before Sunday; cloudy with further showers on the coast.
Victoria.—Cloudy, showery, soon stormy, with freshening seas.
New Zealand and New Caledonia.—Fine, cloudy.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11.

Sun rises at 6.1, sets at 5.43; Moon, 8.6 a.m., 9.51 p.m.; Mercury, 7.1 a.m., 7.49 p.m.; Venus, 6.51 a.m., 7.3 p.m.; Mars, 12.26 a.m., 10.26 a.m.; Jupiter, 5.4 a.m., 3.51 p.m.; Saturn, 8.42 a.m., 10.7 p.m.
New moon, 7th; full moon, 22nd.
High water at Fort Denison, 10.42 a.m., 11.7 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 4 and 7 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 4.15 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
Clyde River.—Bega, 9 a.m.
Foster and Tuncurry.—Marion Fenwick, 11 a.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Melbourne.—F.M.S. Ville de la Ciotat, 8 p.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Tekapo, 4 p.m.
Sourabaya, Singapore, and Hongkong, via Brisbane.—India, 4.45 p.m.
Richmond River.—Electra, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Macleay and Nambucca Rivers.—Burrawong, 8 a.m.
Hobart.—Tambo, 11 a.m.
Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands.—Aladdin, noon.
Melbourne, Adelaide, Hobart, and Launceston.—Peregrine, 1 p.m.
Brisbane.—Tyrian, 1 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Manning River.—Rosedale, 9 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Allowrie, 11 a.m.
Port Macquarie and Bellinger River.—Coraki, 1 p.m.
India, Mauritius, and Continent of Europe.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per Oroya, 2.30 p.m.
United Kingdom.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per Oroya, 3 p.m.
R.M.S. Oroya (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 3 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Oroya, 4 p.m.
Richmond River.—Tomki, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Anglian, 3 p.m.
Nukualofa, Haapai, Vavau (Tonga), and Samoa, via Auckland.—Taviuni, 3 p.m.
Noumea and Fiji.—Birksgate, 3 p.m.
New Hebrides.—Amur, 4 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 4 p.m.

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After formal business in the Legislative Council yesterday the House in committee insisted upon certain of its amendments in the Capertee Railway Bill, and accepted some amendments made by the Legislative Assembly with modifications.

The Municipal Baths Bill was read the second time and passed through committee.

Further progress was made with the Municipal Council of Sydney Electric Lighting Bill, leave being given to sit again on Thursday next.

The Treasury Building Bill and the Newcastle Friendly Societies and Trades Hall Act Amendment Bill were read the second time.

In the Legislative Assembly yesterday the adjournment of the House was moved by Mr. Anderson to call attention to the alleged want of adequate and convenient school accommodation at Alexandria. The motion was negatived.

When the House went into committee for the further consideration of the Estimates a vote of censure came from the leader of the Opposition in the form of a motion for the Chairman to leave the chair, report progress, and obtain leave to sit again, the ostensible reason being the absence of the report of the Public Service Commissioners.

The Premier having replied, the motion was debated at considerable length, and ultimately was negatived by 54 votes to 27.

Then the consideration of the Estimates was resumed, and continued up to a late hour, with the prospect of an all night sitting.

Sir Hercules Robinson has ordered an inquiry into the shooting of the Matabele rebel chief Makoni. It is stated that he was ordered to be shot by Major Watts because it was feared that he might escape.

Major Watts has been suspended pending the result of the inquiry.

The frigid and laconic replies given by the Czar in French to the effusions of the Emperor William have disconcerted public feeling in Vienna and Berlin.

L'Eclair, a leading paper of Paris, states that, acting upon the advice of her physicians, the Czarina will not accompany the Czar on his visit to Paris.

Sporting Life states that, as a result of their tour, the Australian cricketers have £10,000 net to divide among them.

Sixteen officers in the Greek army have been condemned to death for having taken part in the rising in Crete and in the crossing of the frontier into Macedonia.

In Cuba the revolt against Spanish rule is spreading, and the Spanish Commander-in-Chief has reported that he is powerless; also that the prospects of the rebels are improving, and that they are obtaining abundant supplies of arms from the United States.

The insurgents in the Philippine Islands have been defeated by the Government troops, 58 of them being killed.

Several wealthy supporters of the revolt have been executed, and 350 others have been exiled.

It is reported that the Khalifa is greatly alarmed at the progress which is being made by the British expedition towards Dongola in the Soudan.

A resolution has been passed by the Trade Union Congress which is sitting at Edinburgh in favour of a closer connection between trade unionism and co-operation.

The Congress has approved of the nationalisation of the land, mines, minerals, royalties, and of railways.

Mr. Bryan, the Democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States, declares that the gold standard is "a conspiracy against humanity."

The Antwerp wool sales will take place on the 15th and 19th instant. The catalogue comprises 11,490 bales, of which 60 are Australian.

Li Hung Chang, the Chinese Viceroy, has arrived at Winnipeg. He declares that the Canadian Pacific railway is one of the greatest works in the world, and would be invaluable to Great Britain in the event of war.

All the members of the Dockers' Federation between the ages of 26 and 32 who have served six years as members of the federation are demanding higher wages, shorter hours, and the abolition of piecework.

A national welcome is to be given to Dr. Nansen on his arrival at Christiania in the Fram, after his expedition in search of the North Pole. He will be received by a guard of honour comprising 12,000 citizens.

At the bye election for a member to represent the Lachlan electorate in the Legislative Assembly, in the place of Mr. James George Carroll, resigned, the only nomination received was that of Mr. Carroll himself, and to-day he will be declared elected.

During yesterday's dinner hour in Wentworth gaol two prisoners suddenly attacked acting-gaoler Sherringham as he was proceeding along a corridor.

One of the men used a broken stick, with which he struck the acting-gaoler across the forehead and over the temple, inflicting a deep gash, and rendering him unconscious. The gaoler was rescued by a prisoner named Brown.

On Wednesday night the engine of a train on the Narrabri-Moree line collided with a bullock about 12 miles from Narrabri, and was thrown off the track. A passenger jumped from the train and broke his leg.

At a theatrical wedding which was celebrated yesterday in St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church the building was thronged with curious spectators, and when the bridal procession appeared the entire congregation stood upon the seats, hustling in a disgraceful way.

In the general scrimmage that ensued the stone font was knocked over and broken in two, and the babble was so great that at times even the organ voluntaries were hardly audible.

A deputation from the Institute of Architects yesterday interviewed the Minister for Works to ascertain if they could not enter into competition for designs for the new Parliamentary buildings and also for the exhibition buildings. The Minister promised to lay the matter before his colleagues.

Yesterday afternoon a sale of work in connection with St. Clement's Anglican Church, Marrickville, was opened by Miss Snowdon Smith in the presence of a large audience.

Mr. Reginald Murray, Government Geologist of Victoria, has resigned, because he considers that the Government slighted him in selecting Mr. Sterling, assistant Government Geologist, to proceed to England to lecture on the mining resources of the colony.

A rather better business was done in the Stock and Share market yesterday, but without any material fluctuations in prices.

Although there was no increase of buoyancy yesterday in the Import market, a good distributing trade was experienced. The tea auction indicated a maintenance of late values, with occasional advances.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 3180 bales of wool were manifested. 1271 bales arrived coastwise, and 656 bales were received by rail at Newcastle on Wednesday.

Business in the Mining market yesterday was on a restricted scale, both silver and gold mining stocks being very quiet.

The Customs revenue received yesterday amounted to £5190.

Under the extraordinary guidance to which it is reduced the Opposition made what the brokers would in their language call a very heavy slump last night. It irrevocably committed itself to a declaration of war against the new system of Public Service reform and in favour of restoring the bad old system of Parliamentary control. It did this in the most emphatic way in which it could be done, by proposing a motion of censure. This took the form of a motion by the Leader of the Opposition that the Chairman leave the chair. This course was avowedly taken because the House had not before it definite information which would enable it to discuss the individual changes made by the Commissioners, and thus take back the whole control into the hands of Parliament. The Leader of the Opposition strongly declared his hostility to the action of the Board and the Act under which it was appointed, and proposed his motion as an expression of the views of himself and his party on the subject. The action was accepted and supported by the party, which now as a consequence stands committed to the abolition of the Board and the economies resulting from its operations, and to the restoration of the system of political patronage. Had the motion been carried the result must have been the retirement of the Government, and the coming into office of a party of whose policy we only know that it would immediately repeal the laws imposing taxation on property and sweep away the reform of the Public Service.

The motion was not carried. It was rejected by a division of 53 to 27. That is the distribution of strength to which the Opposition finds itself reduced as a result of its tactics in the Assembly. What is its position in the country will appear in due time. In the speech of the Premier, which perhaps might with advantage have shown more reserve upon certain points, he accepted the motion as unmistakably defining the attitude of the Opposition as champions of the old evil system. But as it was certain in advance that the motion must fail, it could have no other effect than that of wasting time and delaying the business of the country. He showed that as a result of the economies already made savings were effected which would pay the annual interest on nearly 10 millions of the public debt. The system assailed is the outcome deliberately intended of an act of legislation for which the whole Legislature was responsible, inasmuch as it passed with general approval from all sides. It is a measure thus carried, the operation of which produces results so beneficial to the country, which the Opposition last night committed itself to the work of destroying, as the only way visible to it of getting into a position of power. Well might the humorous member for The Sturt, Mr. FERGUSON, in a speech of racy criticism assure the Opposition that it has fallen hopelessly out of touch with public feeling, that its ideas are outgrown, that its policy belongs to the past, and that its stale shibboleths have become unintelligible and impotent.

Mr. CARRUTHERS has redeemed his promise made to the Wagga Conference last month, and has introduced a short bill intended to remould the procedure in regard to balloting for land. This is the main purpose of the new amending bill, but it does something more. For instance, it allows applications for land under the new tenures of the Act of 1895 to be made to any Crown lands agent throughout the colony, so that the applicant need not be a resident of or even a visitor to the district where any Crown lands may be offered as homestead selections or settlement leases. This is rather an important extension of the privilege of application, but there will be little objection to it except from interested persons. It will, however, be necessary to take care lest the delay incident to this widening the scope of application should still further widen the interval which separates the would-be settler from occupation of his area. Already much complaint is heard from time to time about this delay, and it would be well to minimise the grievance wherever it can be done. The second clause of the bill also introduces an important limitation. The Local Land Boards are called upon to say what area the applicant should have, taken together with the total area held by him or her in fee simple or under conditional purchase or conditional lease. The amount of land which may be held altogether shall be, "in the opinion of the Land Board, sufficient for the maintenance of the applicant and his family," not a very easy matter to determine. The operation of this clause will be watched with interest, and it is hardly to be expected that it will be particularly smooth.

Returning to the main clause of the bill, it provides that a period shall be allowed for applications through any Crown lands agent, but afterwards applications are limited to the district office. These are to be referred to either the local land board or to a committee of three public servants appointed by the Minister. The former may decide, but the latter shall only recommend, which of the applicants, if any, are to proceed to a ballot. The object of the inquiry preceding the ballot, if one is held, is to determine the relative suitableness of the persons who seek to get the land. This is really the kernel of the bill. Now that the area of good Crown land is diminishing, while the demand not only expands in our own colony but attracts intending settlers from other colonies, notably from Victoria, it must be evident that the competition for such land as we still have open to settlement and likely to reward development tends to grow greater. Since the Act of 1895 has come into operation competition has strikingly increased, and is correspondingly difficult to deal with satisfactorily. The mechanical process of ballot itself has been overtaxed, and there are cases where balloting went on incessantly during office hours on two or three successive days before a decision as to who should have the land. Even these disadvantages would have been borne with more or less patience, but that the ballot often will indicate the successful applicant in a person who, to other applicants at least, seems unfit to have the area. A family or an individual anxious to secure the block offered will lodge applications to a considerable number, and provided the regulations are observed, the lands agent has to deal with each as if it came from an independent and suitable applicant. A proceeding of this kind handicaps the genuine man by giving several chances to another applicant as against this one. Then the ballot must be resorted to, and frequently the land falls to a boy or girl, to a person who has taken up perhaps half a dozen sections, and who may hold already a good-sized estate; or a block may fall to a stranger while it was sought by some resident in order to give his son a start or keep the family together in the neighbourhood of the original home. A practical farmer and grazier with some capital at his back may find himself beaten at the ballot by blind chance, and the area which he could have usefully occupied taken by a man who is predestined to failure with it by reason of his lack of experience or resources. All these eventualities are not only a matter of concern to bona-fide applicants, but in so far as they conduce to ineffective settlement they thwart the plain intention of the Legislature, which, while making provision for the freedom of application, necessarily desires that the land shall get into the hands of those who can beneficially occupy it.

Mr. CARRUTHERS's bill offers a workable compromise. There would have been objection to the destruction of the principle of balloting. With acknowledged drawbacks, that system offers a fair chance to every applicant, and removes any suspicion of favouritism or other abuse. If we consider any likely machinery to supersede it, we must perceive the delicate and conflicting interests that would have to be regulated. A local land board consists of a chairman, who is the official member, and of two local residents, nearly always men of standing and character in the community. The latter are the unofficial members; and for men connected by business, friendship, relationship, or other ties with the applicants, the task of sifting out the most fitting persons to have the land would be invidious. A purely departmental board might not have the necessary local knowledge, or, if local officers, they too might be influenced by other considerations than the desert of each applicant. There would certainly be a great deal of suspicion and complaint. The process now recommended seems a judicious compromise. All the applications are to be sifted by some public authority, and by this means the bogus claims will be disallowed at the beginning. Then the bona fide applicants will be ranged in classes—first, those without land, but having dependent families or relatives; next, those likewise chargeable with the support of others, but with an insufficient area, and so on. We may presume, though it is not stated, that the board or the Minister will not be confined to the first class, but will send to the ballot the most suitable applications from all classes. Even then there may be hardships, and there certainly would be if the Crown land available for homestead selections or settlement leases became virtually reserved for those persons who had not previously acquired land. The whole question is a difficult one, and while the abuse of the ballot ought to be checked the Minister must take care not to introduce a hard-and-fast procedure under which things will be no better.

It is rather a pity that there should have been a discussion in Parliament regarding the statue that it is proposed to erect in honour of Governor PHILLIP. We can truly say of him that he did his work thoroughly and conscientiously under the conditions by which he was forced to abide. It is conceivable that the conditions might have been improved. It is a simple matter of history that the conditions were such that many of the men whose duty brought them to New South Wales in the earlier days were only eager to find an excuse for returning to the old world. It is to PHILLIP's credit and renown that he believed thoroughly in the settlement, and that he worked for its advancement to the best of his ability. And when this fact is realised it becomes hard to understand how an objection can be taken to the commemoration of his work which the whole colony undoubtedly desires. The memorial will have several uses. It will call attention, in the first place, to the hard work that was done in the older days; and, in the second place, it will help to keep that continuity of history which makes, to a large extent, the history of nations. The man who does not know something about the history of his own country is in reality the most unqualified voter that enters a polling booth. And, on the contrary, every memorial that connects us with the past, and that shows us what the evolution of the colony has been, is a thing to be welcomed, partly because it has an historical interest, and partly because it carries a meaning at the present day.

The important statement which we publish this morning, summarising the first twelvemonth's operations under the Land Act of 1895, is one which will be gratifying to the entire community, as it is a record of sound progressive occupation. The average rate of settlement since 1861 has been about 800 families per annum, but for the year just ended the department has put 2516 families upon the various holdings contemplated by the Act. The bulk of this settlement has naturally fallen to Riverina; that wonderfully rich district has attracted population from all directions. But since we unfortunately cannot offer as much land there as people wish to occupy, they have had to go farther afield, and in this way the good agricultural lands scattered through the Central Division have all been favoured. The Minister is entitled to gratification at the success which has followed the introduction of the new tenures of his Act, the homestead selections and the settlement leases; and the report points out how the country benefits by deriving a steady revenue, while it secures sound improvement and long residence, and as the leases fall in large areas will revert to the Crown. And to point yet more forcibly the fact that a new system is at work in our land policy we have the significant item that for the year under review only 18,065 acres were sold by auction, the lowest total on record. These leading features of the report indicate that while there is a great demand for public land the State endeavours to meet it without extreme measures, neither evicting the pastoralists from their leases, nor scrambling away what land it has available. Another evidence that the State is mindful of equity in dealing with its tenants is supplied in the item about reappraisements in the West. The work is not yet completed, but the department finds itself with a reduced rent in the three districts particularised, chiefly in the Bourke land district, where £22,000 has been given up out of the old rental of £56,000. But even here the year's record is not all gloom. Abandoned areas are again being taken up, and the work of scrub-cutting in the Bogan country promises well.

VICE-REGAL NEWS.—The Governor, who was accompanied by the Hon. Margaret Brand and Captain Ferguson, A.D.C., visited the exhibition of the Society of Artists yesterday morning. Lady Gormanston, accompanied by Mr. Alexander Rawlinson, private secretary to the Governor of Tasmania, arrived from Hobart via Melbourne at midday yesterday. The visitors are the guests of Lord and Lady Hampden.

THE FACTORIES AND SHOPS BILL.—In the Legislative Council last night Mr. Creed gave notice, contingently on the passing of the second reading of the Factories and Shops Bill and its being remitted to a committee of the whole House for consideration, that he will move that clause 1 be amended by the insertion in line 8, page 1, after the figures 1896, the following words:—"But it shall remain in force for three years only after the coming into force thereof, provided also that the Governor, upon resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly in favour thereof, shall by notice in the *Gazette* suspend the operation of any of the provisions of the Act from the date of such *Gazette*."

NEW PUBLIC WORKS.—In the Assembly on Wednesday next the Minister for Works will move to refer to the Public Works Committee the proposals to extend the railway from Redfern into the city and to construct a deep-water harbour at Port Kembla.

SUNDAYS AT THE ZOO.—On Tuesday next Mr. Waddell will in the Assembly ask the Colonial Secretary whether the Government has any control over the management of the Zoological Gardens, and, if so, whether it will consider the advisability of making the gardens available for the public on Sundays.

THE PROPOSED REMOVAL OF THE ABATTOIRS.—Mr. Hawthorne will on Tuesday next move in the Assembly,—That the Select Committee now sitting on the abattoirs have leave to make visits of inspection, from time to time, accompanied by a shorthand-writer, to abattoirs within the colonies, for the purpose of holding inquiries and taking evidence, and that the committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House, or any adjournment thereof, for the purpose of making such visits of inspection.

THE WEATHER AND PROSPECTS FOR NEXT WEEK.—There seems to be a probability of fine weather for the next few days, though last night some rain in thunderstorms was reported to have fallen in the country. On Wednesday a well-defined low pressure off the Australian Bight promised to bring into New South Wales an almost general rain, but last night Mr. Russell said that the prospects had become less favourable. He had received a wire (at 3 p.m.) from Wilcannia, which stated that instead of rain as they had expected, a hot northerly wind had set in, and had been blowing all day, with a falling barometer. Asked with regard to the prospects of fine weather for the coming week, Mr. Russell said that the preponderance is on the fine side, though the conditions are most unsettled. A little rain came into South Australia yesterday, and it was cloudy and thundery over the south-west parts of this colony. At Sydney the temperatures are gradually rising under the influence of N. and N.E. winds. Yesterday 67·2 was the maximum in the shade, as against 61·8 on Wednesday and 61·2 on Tuesday. In the country yesterday the weather was getting warmer. At Bourke it was 81°, Brewarrina, Wilcannia, and Coonabarabran 78°, and at many other places ranged from 75° to 80°. Of cold readings the mountain towns had nothing under 35°, with the exception of Kiandra, where they had 22° of frost, and the maximum was 47°.

MAILS AND MAIL STEAMERS.—The Prinz-Regent Luitpold, from Bremen, arrived at Albany yesterday morning and left for Adelaide. Her mails will be here for delivery on next Wednesday. A cable to Mr. A. W. Kendall, manager of the Canadian line, was yesterday received announcing the departure of the Miowera from Vancouver on Tuesday last. She is due at Honolulu on the 16th instant, Suva the 26th, and Sydney on the 2nd proximo. A Port Darwin wire gives the arrival there of the China mail steamer Taiyuan, on her way from Japanese and Chinese ports to Sydney. She is due here on the 23rd instant. To-day the English mails by the Valetta will be delivered in the city. They are London date 7th August. On Monday next the Oceana leaves here for London, in the P. and O. line, and is announced to call at Marseilles. The Stuttgart sails to-morrow for Bremen, in the North German Lloyd line, from the company's wharf, Circular Quay.

THE LOSS OF THE STEAMER CHINDERA.—The further particulars of the loss of the steamer Chindera are that the vessel has broken in two. The Underwriters' Association was yesterday in receipt of several messages; the last being to the effect that the vessel was under water from forward to the funnel at low water, her decks started amidships, and a very strong tide was running. She will, therefore, probably be sold as she lies. Her value when running was £3000, and the insurance upon her £2500 in the Cornwall Company, £2000 being reinsured in other offices.

THE LAND AND INCOME TAXES.—The Principal Under-Secretary is writing to various municipal councils asking to be furnished with particulars of municipal loans for the guidance of the Taxation Commissioners.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION.—His Honor Judge Docker (president Photographic Society N.S.W.), Mr. A. A. Lawson (lecturer on Photo-process and Art Work, Technical College), and Mr. W. F. Ponder (editor *Photographic Journal*), yesterday made the awards in the Australian *Photographic Journal* prize competition. The judges expressed their satisfaction with the work generally, which was of a high quality, and, being sent in from every part of Australia, embraced a number of characteristic colonial scenes. There was a considerable list of awards, of which the chief may be mentioned. The champion prize (£20), open to all, for the best four sets of three pictures, 12 prints by one competitor, was awarded to S. L. Cox, of Kiama. Class II. (£6), amateurs, two sets of three pictures: F. Stein Brown, Launceston. Class IV. (amateurs), three pictures: Chas. Gruncell, of Hobart. Class III., two sets of three pictures (professional): W. Livermore, North Shore. Class V. (professional), best set of three pictures: D. Cameron, of Camberra Majura. Owing to the closeness of the competition, the judges were at work many hours yesterday. The photographs were judged in a room at the York Hotel.

THE LARGEST PASTORAL HOLDING IN THE COLONY.—Yesterday the Land Appeal Court, sitting at Darlinghurst, determined the rent of the largest pastoral holding in the colony—that of Momba, owned by the Momba Pastoral Company, Limited (Smith, Elder, and Co., Limited). The holding is situated on the Paroo, just to the north of Wilcannia, and an idea of its immense size may be gained from the statement that a man riding from the southern extremity in a straight line to the northern boundary would cover a distance of nearly 100 miles. The leasehold area of the run, the most valuable portion of the holding, is 1,082,754 acres, and the resumed area is 797,994 acres—a total area of 1,880,748 acres. A more striking idea of the size than may be gathered from the fact quoted above is obtained by noting the great difference in the rental that an apparently small reduction in the fee per acre makes. The rental of the leasehold area was 1·25d per acre, or a total of £5639 6s 10½d. The board reduced the rental to 1d per acre, or a total for that particular area of £4511 9s 6d, a reduction of £1127 17s 4½d. On appeal to the Land Court the rent was reduced to ·88d per acre, that is to say, ·12d per acre below the board's recommendation. The rental on the Court's appraisement is £3970 1s 11·52d, or a further reduction of £541 7s 6·48d, making the total reduction £1669 1s 10·98d for the seemingly small reduction per acre of ·37d. The rent of the resumed area was fixed at the board's appraisement, £1 6s per section.

INSPECTION OF MONIER ARCHES.—At the invitation of the gentlemen who have the supervision of the aqueduct over Johnstone's Creek, Annandale, which is being constructed on the "Monier" principle, in connection with the sewerage system, about 40 members of the Engineering Section of the Royal Society visited the works yesterday afternoon, in order to witness the "turning" of the last arch of the series forming the aqueduct. Advantage of the occasion was also taken by the Hon. J. H. Young (Minister for Works), the Hon. Sydney Smith (Minister for Mines), and Mr. A. Edden, M.L.A., to inspect the works that have been completed, and to make themselves acquainted with the manner in which this remarkable system, which promises to revolutionise building methods now commonly in use, is carried out. The party was accompanied by Mr. J. Davis, the engineer in charge of the works, and by Messrs. Gummow and Carter, the contractors. The arch which was to be completed or "turned," as the technical phrase goes, was that spanning Nelson-street, and when the party came on the scene the workmen were busily engaged "tamping" the "compo" into the meshes of the iron net work or "grill," which is the characteristic feature of this new system. The professional gentlemen present were generally surprised to find that this "compo," which consists of three parts of sand and one of cement, is put in so slightly moistened that when tightly squeezed in the hand hardly a trace of water could be expressed. The graceful lightness of the finished arches was much admired, and a great deal of interest was manifested in the two test arches which some time ago were built, and which successfully passed through an extremely trying ordeal. The members of the party expressed themselves as much pleased with their inspection.

DEPARTURE OF THE CANADIAN MAIL STEAMER.—Grafton wharf presented a busy sight yesterday afternoon at the time the Warrimoo left for Vancouver. The steamer looked extremely well. When the Aorangi (the latest addition) comes upon the scene things will, of course, be easier, but taking the two or three years past the performances of the two steamers employed have been wonderfully good. This is more particularly so when it is called to mind that the Miowera and Warrimoo were built for intercolonial work, not for a service which involves long distance steaming of 7000 miles at a stretch to maintain a monthly mail service across the Pacific. Reference was yesterday made in the *Herald* to the Warrimoo's passenger list for the various ports of call. In addition there are several also booked for Fiji. The cargo is a miscellaneous one. There are some fruit, butter, preserved meats, and a quantity of skins, small lots, more of a sample character. Her ports are Suva, Honolulu, Victoria, and Vancouver.

FIVE DOCK FINANCES.—The financial position of the Five Dock Council shows little signs of improvement. Several peremptory claims for payment of money due were received from several creditors, among them being a claim by the Gas Company. At the last meeting of the council a letter was received from Messrs. Allen, Allen, and Hemsley, solicitors, stating that they had been instructed by the Gas Company to draw attention to the fact that there was no less a sum than £378 15s 3d due the company for gas consumed by the borough up to June last. These arrears extended over a very long period, and notwithstanding the numerous requests made by the company for payment, and the promises made by the council, no money had been forthcoming. The company was, therefore, reluctantly compelled to give notice that, unless a sum of at least £100 be paid on or before 1st October the supply of gas to the public lamps would be cut off. After considerable discussion Alderman Myler moved that the company be informed that as the rates come in the amounts will be forwarded. The motion was carried. A letter was also received from a firm of solicitors demanding immediate settlement of a claim of £45 on 15 coupons, and other amounts on 20 other coupons, also stating that unless the sum of £105 was immediately paid legal action would be taken. The matter was left in the Mayor's hands. During the evening the Mayor reported that he had interviewed Mr. B. C. Rodd and had obtained a promise of the use of the office furniture for 3d per week. It will be remembered that Mr. B. C. Rodd purchased the council's effects at the bailiff's sales recently held.

GOVERNMENT LABOUR BUREAU.—Yesterday afternoon the men in charge of the first five gangs which are shortly to commence work on the Bogan scrub lands attended at the Labour Bureau, and the conditions under which the work is to be done were read to them before the Superintendent (Mr. Creer). The clearing rate is at present 2s per acre; but so far as is at present known this price will only apply to the first 12 gangs. The men expressed themselves as well satisfied with the conditions generally, and there is every reason to think that the arrangements which the authorities have made for the despatch of the men will be satisfactorily carried out. The gangs leaving Sydney early next week are to be joined at Nyngan by a local gang. At the Bureau the ordinary work is proceeding smoothly, and arrangements are being made to despatch 100 more men to Randwick next week, as well as 100 or 150 to the Botany sewage farm.

THE ESTIMATES.—The Assembly sat through the small hours of Thursday morning up to a quarter to 4 o'clock considering the Estimates. Good progress was made, the whole of the estimates for the Colonial Secretary's Department being passed. At yesterday's sitting the word went round early in the evening that the Government intended to sit all night and finish the Estimates. At the hour of going to press this morning this was still the intention, and members generally made preparations for a sitting extended to 9 or 10 o'clock this morning.

RYAN'S CONDITIONAL PURCHASES.—The report of the select committee on Ryan's conditional purchases in the Wagga land district, which was laid on the table of the Assembly last night, states that Thomas Ryan, Ellen Ryan, and Anastasia Ryan selected land at the Wagga land office on the 8th December, 1881, but as a consequence of wrong information furnished by a departmental officer, and subsequent laches on the part of the department, they were unable to profitably and peacefully use the lands so selected until a validation bill had been passed in 1888. As a consequence Thomas Ryan was put to considerable expense, and the committee recommends these cases to the favourable consideration of the Government.

REGISTRAR OF COPYRIGHTS.—Mr. P. P. Packham has been appointed to act as registrar of copyrights during the illness of Mr. Spruson, the present holder of that office.

NEW MUSIC.—Mr. Ernest E. P. Truman has set to appropriate music two of Mr. A. B. Paterson's ballads, which are now published separately by Messrs. W. H. Paling and Co. "A Bushman's Song," with its capital chorus, "So shift, boys, shift," has been wedded to a firm and spirited melody, and there is a vein of quaint melody in "Last Week" which fairly suits the humour of the verse. In each case, as might be imagined, much of the popularity of the songs will be due to the lyrics of "The Man from Snowy River." Miss Sylvia Blackston, whose "Bush Waltz" enjoys a considerable vogue, has composed "The Silver Stream" waltz. The first theme is melodious, the second vivacious and well-harmonised, and though, speaking generally, there is no very distinctive individuality, the whole forms an agreeable piece of dance music. "The Broomloo Waltz" (also published by Messrs. W. H. Paling and Co.), by Bessie King, in which the second theme is the best, is immature, but achieves a measure of success. Messrs. W. Morley and Co., London, forward nine new songs, of which five are by C. Francis Lloyd. All are musicianly and melodious, though the composer is often reminiscent. For example, "The Way of Peace" is introduced with a strain from "The Holy City," and immediately after drops into "The Lost Chord." The portion in 6-8 time is original, however, and the whole piece undeniably effective. "The Sweetest Song" is a charming piece of music. "The Children of the King" is a contralto song written in a broad and dignified style. "Snowflakes Fair," though the opening is obviously inspired by the first of the seventh set of Chopin's "Four Mazurkas" (op. 41), is a song which may be cordially recommended, and "The Gate of Happiness" is a well-written number. Dr. Thomas Hutchinson's "Voices" is a taking but extremely simple song, well harmonised. "Don't Tell" is an arch little song, by Camille Daubert, in a conventional style. "The Dream Angel," by Ed. St. Quentin, provides a flowing theme, easily written for the voice, which is moreover well sustained by the accompaniment. "The Angel of the Dawn," by Lindsay Lennox has some melodious phrases, and the *forte* passage would prove highly effective in the hands of an experienced vocalist.

THE METHODIST UNION VOTE.—The voting on the subject of Methodist union is now proceeding throughout the colony. We are requested by the secretary of the federal council to say that although, according to the instructions re taking the vote, the voting papers should be in the hands of the voters by the 13th September, should this be found impossible the votes of those who receive their papers later will be valid should they be returned on or before the 27th September.

DEATH OF MR. O'HARA SMITH.—Mr. O'Hara Smith, a well-known member of the New Zealand Civil Service, died at Bathurst yesterday. Mr. Smith, a few weeks back, came to Sydney on sick leave, and was advised to try the climate of Bathurst and ultimately of Bourke for his complaint—consumption. Mr. Smith was second officer of the Audit Department when a few years ago he was appointed by the New Zealand Government to organise and control a special department of land audit, and a series of prosecutions for dummyism were the result. He was appointed sole commissioner in the Royal Commission, known as the Fox Commission, in which an attempt was made to ascertain how the *Wellington Evening Post* became possessed of certain information, and his report implicated a Minister of the Crown. He has conducted various other inquiries, the last having been a secret audit of the various subsidiary companies of the Bank of New Zealand, for the Government. Overwork in connection with these matters hastened his end in spite of trips to the islands and elsewhere. Mr. Smith was one of the finest amateur rowers and athletes in New Zealand. He leaves a widow and young family, who were with him at Bathurst.

FUNERAL OF MR. J. COATES.—The remains of Mr. J. Coates were interred in the Wesleyan Cemetery of the Necropolis yesterday afternoon. A large number of gentlemen, prominent in educational and cricketing circles, were present to pay their last respects to the deceased gentleman. Among the many wreaths which were sent as marks of sympathy were one from the old boys at Newington, one from the masters of the High School, and one from the scholars of the High School. The service at the grave was conducted by the Rev. George Lane, and the Rev. J. E. Moulton (principal of Newington College) assisted him. Among those who were present were Mr. James Gardiner, Mr. Leslie Teece, Mr. Mathews (Wellington), Mr. Dargan (Wellington), Mr. Maynard (Under-Secretary for Education), Mr. W. H. B. Piddington and Mr. Moore, Ms.L.A. (representing the old boys of Newington), Messrs. C. Olive, R. Teece, Bray, Gibson, R. N. Sheridan, Fairland (representing the Sydney Cricket Ground), Messrs. Goddard, Portus, Garrett, and Powell, Mr. Waterhouse (head master of the Sydney Public High School), Messrs. Crompton, Trebeck, Stevenson, Sharp, Studdy, and Saxby (masters of the High School), together with a number of the scholars of the Sydney Public High School, Mr. Speer (city treasurer), and Mr. Urquhart. Kirby and Son conducted the funeral arrangements.

DEATH AT THE UNITED FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' DEMONSTRATION.—A death occurred on Wednesday upon the s.s. Conqueror while returning from Clifton Gardens with picnickers who had attended the United Friendly Societies' Demonstration. It appears the young daughter of Mrs. Johnson, residing in Euroka-street, North Sydney, dropped a ball overboard, and returned to the shore with the intention of recovering it. In the meantime the steamer started, and the mother of the child, Mary Ann Johnson, 37 years of age, was distracted at the idea of her child being left at the gardens. Soon after leaving the wharf the woman fainted, and was in an unconscious condition on the arrival of the boat at Milson's Point. She was conveyed to the home of Dr. Service, Alfred-street. As the doctor was from home, Senior-constable Glanville had the woman conveyed to Dr. Boegling's residence. The doctor pronounced life extinct. Yesterday morning Dr. Taylor, Government Pathologist, made an examination of the deceased, and reported that death was due to heart disease. An inquest was dispensed with.

BURGLARIES IN THE ILLAWARRA SUBURBS.—Mr. Ducker's residence, Forest-road, Carlton, was entered last night while the inmates were at dinner, and property to the value of £25 stolen. The night previous another burglary occurred at Arncliffe.

RESCUED FROM A PERILOUS POSITION.—Mr. Jones, a resident of Enmore, was on Wednesday morning at an early hour proceeding across Allen's Bush, at the back of the Lillie Bridge Grounds, Forest Lodge, when he stepped into a quantity of mud and slush at the reclamation works which are being carried on there. His body quickly disappeared from view, leaving only his head visible. He called for help, and was extricated by some gentlemen who happened to be in the vicinity.

ARREST OF TWO MEN ON SUSPICION.—Detectives Roche, Brown, and M'Lean yesterday effected the arrest of two men under somewhat sensational circumstances. During the last few days they had been on the look out for certain men, but owing to their absence from their residence the detectives were unable to discover them. They found that two men, who said they had come from the country, had rented a room. The detectives visited the place yesterday and waited for three hours, when one of the men visited his lodgings and was arrested. A

little while after the other man approached the house. He made an attempt to escape, but was arrested.

Robert Dixon, an engineer, residing at 157 Cumberland-street, on Wednesday morning fell in the back yard of the house mentioned. He was rendered unconscious. As no improvement was noticeable in his condition last night, Dr. Purcell was sent for. He pronounced the man to be suffering from concussion of the brain. Constable Churchill removed the man to the Sydney Hospital.

Yesterday the Railway Commissioners made their annual inspection of the Richmond branch of the Western railway line.

Elsewhere the Newcastle and Hunter River Company announces the opening of the season for its steamers to run excursion trips to the Hawkesbury River.

Mr. Albert Oscar Cross died at his residence, Ormond-street, Paddington, yesterday somewhat suddenly. The deceased for several years acted as eastern suburbs representative of the Herald.

Mr. J. J. Virgo, the general secretary of the Adelaide (S.A.) Y.M.C.A., who is on a visit to Sydney, will lecture this evening in the Y.M.C.A. Hall on his journey from London to Niagara, illustrating his remarks by limelight views.

The band of the N.S.W. Artillery Regiment will (weather permitting) perform in Hyde Park this afternoon, under the direction of Brigade Bandmaster Hutchinson, commencing at 3 o'clock.

On the conclusion of the last case before the Bourke Land Board in which Mr. Charles W. Lloyd, inspector of pastoral holdings, appeared, Messrs. Biddulph and Salenger thanked him for his courtesy and attention. The chairman said that the board recognised that Mr. Lloyd had taken great pains to make a careful and conscientious inspection and to set out his views guardedly and equitably.

"Australian Cricket" is the name of a weekly record, published in Sydney, under the editing of Mr. C. T. B. Turner. The first number is one that will thoroughly interest cricketers, and its general treatment of the game in this colony and elsewhere promises to make the paper an authority.

On behalf of St. James' Presbyterian Church, Burwood, an order for a pipe organ has been placed with Messrs. Hunter and Co., England. The instrument is to cost £600.

By the recent ball in aid of the funds of the Burwood School of Arts the sum of £36 was netted.

A meeting of the Tobacconists' Association was held last night at the Criterion Hotel, Park-street, Mr. James A. Eve was in the chair, and he stated that there were now 60 members on the roll.

About 7 o'clock last night a fire was noticed in one of the top-floor rooms in the Great Western Hotel, Fitzroy-street, Surry Hills. The apartment was broken into, when it was found to be filled with dense smoke. Mr. Edward Hall, who was rendered semi-unconscious, and several inmates of the house extinguished the fire.

A vacancy for a typewriter has occurred in one of the departments, and the Public Service Board has decided to appoint a female instead of male operator to the position, to which a salary of £75 a year is attached.

With reference to the accident yesterday in connection with the derailment of a train between Narrabri and Moree, we are desired to mention that the train in question was under the control of the contractors who have the construction of the line in hand, as the extension has not yet been delivered over to the Railway Commissioners.

Thomas Williams, a coach proprietor, residing at Blackheath, was admitted to the Sydney Hospital last night suffering from a fractured leg caused through a collision with a 'bus when he was riding a horse. Patrick Hackett, a stoker on board H.M.S. Ringarooma, was also admitted to the same institution last night with a fractured leg caused by slipping when alighting from a cab.

Douglas Potter, aged 22, an engineer, employed at Gemmeson's Engineering Works, Wilson-street, Newtown, was yesterday admitted to the Prince Alfred Hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the left leg. The man had jumped from a crane on which he was working on to a heap of iron, which slipped under him, inflicting the injury mentioned.

The s.s. Cygnet on her last trip from Manly last night had a mishap to her machinery, which necessitated the Brighton being obtained to tow her up.

At the monthly meeting of the trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales, the following statement was submitted to the board:—For August books were taken out from the lending branch classified as under:—Natural philosophy, science, and the arts, 1035; history, 845; biography, 738; geography, voyages, and travels, 1257; jurisprudence, 167; mental and moral philosophy, 331; poetry and the drama, 310; prose fiction, 2352; general literature, 1495. Total, 8530. For the period from the 1st of January to 31st August 1896:—Number of tickets issued, 5325; total issues to country libraries, 302 boxes containing 8539 volumes; lending branch, number of visits, 56,177; reference library, number of visits, 118,476; newspaper room, number of visits, 110,447. Total for eight months, 285,100.

THE QUEENSLAND LAND BILL.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The Land Bill was read the first time in the Assembly last evening. It is a comprehensive measure, consisting of 251 clauses. The land board is to be reconstituted as a Land Court, consisting of three members instead of two, the idea being that the chairman shall have the status of a District Court Judge at least. All the functions now vested in the land board are to be absolutely transferred to the Land Court, from whom there is to be no appeal except on questions of law, and then only to the Full Court. There are not many alterations in the 1884 Act. Dealing with pastoral leases, the term of the new leases is to be 15 years as heretofore, except in cases where there has been a renewal for five years under the Act of 1890, in which event the term of the lease is 10 years instead of 15. The allowance previously made for unavailable area is discontinued, the object being to strike a rental value for the consolidation as a whole, and possibly necessitating less rental than is payable where unavailable areas have been taken out. Provision is made for a form of mortgage similar to that which exists in respect of grazing farms. The only provision made in the bill for expired and expiring leases in settled districts is that the lessee is to have priority for an occupation license of his holding. As to selections, the maximum area remains the same except that there is a new class of selection called agricultural homesteads in which the present conditions imposed in respect of agricultural farms not exceeding 160 acres are applicable, with the exception that instead of 6d per annum being payable the rental will be 3d per annum with 10 years in which to day the half-crown: the purchasing price can, however, be paid within a period at the option of the selector. For agricultural farms the minimum purchasing price is reduced from 15s to 10s per acre. The lease is to be for 20 years instead of 50 years, with one-fortieth of the purchasing price payable by way of rental every year. All the rentals paid are to be in part payment of the purchase money. At the end of 20 years half the money will have been paid, and it is provided that the balance must be paid in the 21st year. Existing agricultural farms of more than 60 acres may be brought under the bill. Under the present Act compensation is allowed for improvements in the case of forfeiture. Under the bill all improvements, as well as the land itself, go to the Crown. The term of lease for grazing farms is in future to be 21 years instead of 50 years, with reassessment every seven years instead of every five years after the first ten years as at present. Provision is made that where any part of the leasehold is resumed and compensation is payable for resumption the Governor in Council may extend the lease for the unresumed part according to a fixed ratio, instead of paying cash for compensation. The term for grazing homesteads is also 21 years, and this is practically the only alteration made in this form of selection. Existing grazing farms and homesteads may be brought under the bill. Power is given for selectors to take up a pre-emptive selection. On every grazing farm and homestead the area of the pre-emptive selection is to be one-tenth of the area of the farm. The price of the land will be assessed by the Land Court, and will be paid in 10 yearly instalments.

TO-DAY.

Centenary Hall, York-street: Mr. Alfred Foster Watchorn's Recital, 8 p.m.

Sydney Amateur Opera Company: Full Rehearsal, Royal Standard Theatre, 7.30 p.m.

Federation Hall, Church-hill: Complimentary Benefit to Mr. J. T. M'Dougall, 8 p.m.

German Evangelistic Society: Meeting, Protestant Hall, Castlereagh-street, 8 p.m.

Highland Society: Burns Club, Y.M.C. Association, 8 p.m.

N.S.W. Gun Club: Shooting Match. Drag leaves club's office, Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street, 1.30.

Y.W.C.A., 49 Phillip-street: Bible Reading, 7.30 p.m.

Sydney Music Hall, Lawler's-buildings, George-street: New Minstrel, Variety, and Burlesque Company, 3 and 8 p.m.

Mr. Hanson's Art Union Drawing, 3 p.m., 12 Bridge-street.

Theatre Royal: "Prodigal Daughter," 8 p.m.

Lyceum Theatre: "Camille," 8 p.m.

Her Majesty's Theatre: "Under the Gaslight," 8 p.m.

Tivoli Theatre: Variety Company, 7.55 p.m.

Cyclorama, "Jerusalem," opposite Redfern Railway Station: Open 10 a.m. till 5.30 p.m., and from 7 till 10 p.m.

IN PARLIAMENT.

After disposing of some formal matters the Legislative Council last night agreed to the second reading of the Municipal Baths Bill, and it was passed through committee. The consideration in committee of the Municipal Council of Sydney Electric Lighting Bill was resumed, but very little progress was made. In the interpretation clause an attempt was made to get the committee to consent to the excision of the provision permitting the Municipal Council to supply private persons with electric lights, but the proposal was negatived by 13 to 9. Debatable ground was also reached when clause 4, defining the general powers of the Council, was submitted, and after a discussion Mr. Fowler, who was in charge of the measure, consented to adjourn the debate until Thursday next. The Additions to the Treasury Buildings Bill was read a third time, after Mr. Dangar had made a few remarks, in which he deplored the fact that the public were at the present time not allowed to see the designs of public buildings, and the bill was passed through committee without amendment. The Newcastle Friendly Societies and Trades Hall Act Amendment Bill having been taken to a similar stage the House adjourned till Wednesday next.

The infants of Alexandria are not to be tamely thrust outside the pale of a noble free education system. There seemed a danger of this last week when Mr. Anderson moved the adjournment of the House to call attention to the inadequacy of the school accommodation at Alexandria. On that occasion by some extraordinary oversight the necessary support was not obtained; but Mr. Anderson returned to the charge again when the Assembly met last evening. It was the same subject, and he dwelt on the sorrows of 700 children, pining and clamouring, not for bread, but education. As the hon. member unfolded his pitiable story one could almost see the poor pinched faces of the little ones, dumbly suffering because a parsimonious Government hearkened not to the sorrows of the youthful cultured. Mr. Garrard summed the position up tersely. He said this was undoubtedly a matter of great importance—to the district which Mr. Anderson represents. Mr. Haynes, who was as serious as the occasion demanded, compared the educational facilities of town and country. An infant of Waterloo, he said, knew as much as an adult from the country. Then he spoke of the needs of the Wellington district. The Speaker requested him to come back to Waterloo, whereupon he replied that he always understood that Wellington had a great deal to do with Waterloo. At this point Mr. Speaker remembered the ruling he had given a few days before, and pronounced the whole discussion out of order.

With the further consideration of the Estimates there came a motion of censure from the Leader of the Opposition. He moved the Chairman out of the chair, the ostensible reason being the absence of that report by the Public Service Commissioners referred to on the previous evening. There was nothing new in the hon. member's remarks in support. He spoke indignantly of the gross injustices that had been inflicted on the reduced Civil servants, of the absence of all information, of the masterfulness of the three Commissioners. Then there was the Blue Book. Where was it? Why had it been withheld? Who was responsible for all this hole-and-corner work? He kept on asseverating that he did not blame the Board; that he only asked for information.

Mr. Reid seldom misses an opening in debate, but when his adversary leaves himself uncovered, he may be relied upon to administer the happy despatch neatly and with precision. He did so on this occasion. He reminded honourable members of the history of the Public Service Act; how the Board had come into existence because Parliament could not and would not re-classify the service; how everyone had agreed at the time as to the wisdom of this course; how it had been tacitly agreed to give the Board a fair field. Now the Leader of the Opposition was anxious to bring back the old regime, so that he and his party could enjoy the sweets of the old style of political patronage. The old days of patronage had gone, never to return. It was well that the public servants should understand that at once. Then he went on in irony. Of course the Board was corrupt; of course all sorts of favouritism was shown; of course it was incompetent; but let that be proved when all the appeals had been heard, and the Board could present a fair report. Then he twitted Mr. Lyne on his unfortunate knack of generally doing the wrong thing at the wrong time, and asked whether it was likely that the House would withdraw its confidence on an issue of this kind. It was too transparent. But he grew hot when he came to these constant attacks on the Board. When the time came perhaps members would find the report gave more informaton than was bargained for. The Board had sat quietly under the torrent of abuse that had been poured upon it; had said nothing; knowing that when the time came it could justify itself. In point of fact the Board had carried out a great work admirably, making a saving of something like £300,000. They had heard so much of the unfair treatment, but there was another side. Many worthless servants had been got rid of, and in no less than 17 cases the board had ascertained that dismissed officers had also pilfered the State funds, and other incompetent servants kept in their places through influential friends. This caused some sensation, and brought up Mr. O'Sullivan. Mr. O'Sullivan brought with him a little scene. A certain officer had been kept in his place, although it was known that he had defrauded the State, by the influence of a Minister. That Minister was Mr. Carruthers. Mr. Carruthers insisted on a withdrawal, and characterised the statement as "an absolute lie." Mr. O'Sullivan grew noisy, but Mr. Carruthers was not be intimidated. He would have a withdrawal, and O'Sullivan had to do the proper thing. Then he furnished his theory as to why the board's report was held back. The board was about to reduce the wages of the compositors in the Government Printing Office, and the Government was afraid of alienating the labour party if this were made public. Mr. Reid gave this an absolute contradiction; but Mr. O'Sullivan went on for fome time afterwards.

It was known by this time that breakfast had been ordered,—a fact, of course, having no bearing on a want of confidence motion in the Ministry, but still not without its significance, perhaps, to those familiar with Parliamentary practice. At any rate, everyone appeared to be seized of the truth that time is made for slaves, and spoke accordingly. It was really, for the most part, a second debate on the Public Service Act; but the absurdity of rediscussing something which could not be altered did not deter the surcharged speakers. Member after member rose merely "to enter my protest," which formality took up from a quarter of an hour onwards. Mr. Crick attacked the Public Service Board on as many grounds as he could think of at the moment; but Mr. Ferguson followed, and covered the Opposition with laughter. The member for Sturt is in some respects the most effective speaker in the House, and in this instance, when he sat down it was felt that nothing more was to be said. A division was taken, and the second motion of censure of the session was lost by 53 votes to 27.

The Estimates were resumed, and Mr. Miller at once took up his position as Leader of the Opposition. The figures for the Government Printing Office brought the committee to a halt. A suppressed report was still weighing on the mind of Mr. Lyne. He wished to know now whether it was not a fact that a report advising a reduction in compositors' salaries had been prepared; he had heard so. Mr. Gormly was heard at this stage, and his tone and manner seemed to indicate that he was under the impression that the selectors in the Wagga district were being interfered with. The economy of the Government in advertising in the country papers was next reprobated.

The idea of Mr. Black is that the Government should not advertise at all. It should print enough *Government Gazettes* and send them to every home in New South Wales.

The committee gathered itself together and took several substantial items at a jump, and seemed to have got fairly into its stride, when the Board of Exports pulled it up. Opposition members asserted that the board had bought some oranges that had been exported in the freetrade electorates, and an hour was wasted over this.

TOBACCO-GROWING.

(From our Correspondent.)

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

Stimulated by the success attending the experiments in growing cigarette tobacco at the Government Experimental Farm at Moonbi, efforts are being made to form a local cigarette factory, which, it is believed, would be financially successful, and would do much to foster the growth of tobacco suitable for cigarettes in the granite ridges in this district, which have already been proved to be eminently adapted for that purpose. The cigarettes made from the Moonbi tobacco are pronounced by experts to be superior to anything imported from abroad.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE MATABELE REVOLT.

THE SHOOTING OF MAKONI.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

Further reports concerning the shooting of the rebel chief Makoni state that he was shot by the order of Major Watts because it was feared that he might escape.

Sir Hercules Robinson, British High Commissioner for South Africa, has ordered an inquiry into the matter.

Sept. 10.

Major Watts has been suspended pending the result of the inquiry.

SPAIN'S COLONIAL EMPIRE.

INSURRECTION IN THE PHILIPPINES.

DEFEAT ON THE INSURGENTS.

SEVERAL EXECUTED AND MANY EXILED.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

The insurgents in the Philippine Islands have been defeated by the Government troops. In the engagement 58 of the insurgents were killed.

General Blanco, the Governor, has caused several of the wealthy supporters of the revolt to be executed, and he has exiled 350 others.

THE CUBAN REVOLT.

GENERAL WEYLER POWERLESS.

IMPROVED PROSPECTS OF THE REBELS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

The revolt against the Spanish rule in Cuba is spreading. General Weyler, the Spanish Commander-in-Chief, has reported that he is powerless, that the prospects of the rebels are improving, and that abundant supplies of arms are being obtained by the insurgents from the United States.

THE SOUDAN EXPEDITION.

ALARM OF THE KHALIFA.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

It is reported that the Khalifa is greatly alarmed at the progress which is being made by the British expedition in the Soudan towards Dongola.

Sept. 10.

Maxwell's brigade has left Kosheh and is advancing upon Dongola.

Another brigade is following it closely.

DR. NANSEN.

RETURN OF THE FRAM.

A NATIONAL WELCOME.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

A national welcome will be given to Dr. Nansen on his arrival at Christiania in the Fram, after his expedition in search of the North Pole.

Twelve thousand citizens will form a guard of honour for his reception.

THE GREEK ARMY.

SIXTEEN OFFICERS CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

Sixteen officers in the Greek Army have been condemned to be executed for having taken part in the rising in Crete, and in the crossing of the frontier into Macedonia.

LI HUNG CHANG.

TRIP ACROSS CANADA.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

Li Hung Chang, the Chinese Viceroy, has arrived at Winnipeg. He states that the Canadian Pacific Railway is one of the greatest works in the world, and would be invaluable to Great Britain in the event of war.

AUSTRALIAN RABBITS.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

Many of the rabbits brought by the steamer Aberdeen from Australia were wet.

The Warrnambool's shipment of rabbits arrived in excellent condition and realised 10½d each.

The crates in which the rabbits are being sent are too heavy. This causes a serious increase in the charges for storage, cartage, and railway carriage.

ENGLISH SPORTING.

DONCASTER SEPTEMBER MEETING.

THE ST. LEGER.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

At the Doncaster September Meeting the St. Leger Stakes was run to-day, with the following result:—

The St. Leger Stakes of 25 sovs. each, for three-year-olds; the owner of the second horse to receive 300 sovs., and the third 100 sovs. out of the stakes. Old St. Leger course (about 1 mile 3 furlongs and 132 yards). Closed with 232 subs.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales's b c Persimmon, by St. Simon—Perdita II. 1

Duke of Westminster's br c Labrador, by Sheen—Ornament 2

Duke of Westminster's ch c Rampion, by Amphion—Rydal.. 3

Later.

Persimmon won by a length and a half.

The Prince of Wales received an ovation on the victory of his horse.

The original candidates for the St. Leger numbered 232, and most of them were identical with the entrants for the Derby, the leading sportsmen of the Northern hemisphere being represented. The result of the race for the St. Leger was anticipated, for the retirement of Mr. Leopold de Rothschild's great performer, St. Frusquin, who went wrong some time ago, left the way clear for H.R.H. the Prince of Wales's representative, Persimmon, who defeated St. Frusquin in the Derby, and the son of St. Simon and Perdita II., retaining his Derby form, easily placed the red ribbon of the turf to the credit of the Heir Apparent. For the first time in the history of the English turf, the two great classic events of the season have been secured by a horse owned by a member of the Royal family.

To Clerks, Bankers, and Others.—BONANZA CIGARS ality will surprise you, four for 6d.—[Advt.].

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE CZAR ON TOUR.

HIS MANNER TO THE EMPEROR WILLIAM.

FRIGID REPLIES OF THE CZAR.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

The frigid and laconic replies given by the Czar in the French language to the effusions of the Emperor William have caused a disconcerted public feeling in Vienna and Berlin.

THE VISIT TO PARIS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

L'Eclair, a leading paper of Paris, states that, acting upon the advice of her physicians, the Czarina will not accompany the Czar on his visit to Paris.

MADAGASCAR.

RAVAGES BY NATIVES.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

The disorders in Madagascar continue. 20,000 Fahavalo natives are ravaging the northern portion of the island.

THE UNITED STATES PRESIDENCY.

THE GOLD STANDARD.

STATEMENT BY MR. M. J. BRYAN.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

Mr. M. J. Bryan, the Democratic candidate for the United States Presidency, declares that the gold standard is "a conspiracy against humanity."

THE TRADES UNION CONGRESS.

LONDON, Sept. 9.

The Trades Union Congress which is sitting at Edinburgh has carried a resolution in favour of a closer connection between trade unionism and co-operation.

Sept. 10.

The congress has approved of the nationalisation of land, of mines, of minerals, of royalties, and of railways.

THE DOCKERS' FEDERATION.

HIGHER WAGES AND SHORTER HOURS DEMANDED.

THE ABOLITION OF PIECEWORK.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

All the members of the Dockers' Federation between the ages of 26 and 32, who have served six years as members of the Dockers' Federation, are demanding higher wages, shorter hours, and the abolition of piecework.

THE ANTWERP WOOL SALES.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

The Antwerp wool sales will take place on the 15th and 19th instants. The catalogue comprises 11,400 bales, of which 60 bales are Australian wool.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

THE FINANCIAL RESULTS.

£10,000 NET.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

The *Sporting Life* states that, as the result of their tour, the Australian cricketers have £10,000 net to divide among them.

THE BANK RATE.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

The bank rate of interest is 2½ per cent.

QUEENSLAND.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

EXPORT OF MEAT AND PRODUCE.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A meeting of the Meat and Dairy Produce Encouragement Board this morning decided to approve of a further advance to the Gladstone Meat Works, not exceeding £5000, for additional expenditure in connection with the works, which, when completed, will be capable of treating 250 head of cattle per diem, freezing 100, and preserving and boiling for tallow extract 150. The following advances were also made:—£250 to Mr. J. Brown for the erection of two creameries in Ipswich district; second payment of £576 to Mr. W. Kellett in connection with his works at Redbank. The board granted permission to the surveyor to visit the Sydney Meat-preserving Company's works, and to personally inspect the various methods of treating the many meat products it exported.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The body of Lottie M'Crea, a servant girl, has been found in the river.

TASMANIA.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

HOBART, Thursday.

In the Supreme Court to-day the Hobart libel case, Captain Strachan v. the *Launceston Daily Telegraph*, for the recovery of £10,000 damages for articles containing alleged reflections on the plaintiff's moral character, occupied the attention of the Court the whole day and was adjourned.

MURDEROUS ATTACK IN A GAOL.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

WENTWORTH, Thursday.

A murderous attack was made in the Wentworth Gaol during the dinner hour to-day. Two prisoners named Butler and Williams are at present serving sentences for larceny, and are awaiting trial for horse-stealing. Whilst the acting gaoler, Mr. Sherringham, was proceeding through the corridor between two rows of cells the two abovenamed prisoners were in waiting, and immediately Mr. Sherringham came opposite, and was about to pass where they were standing, they savagely attacked him with a broken stick, striking him across the forehead and inflicting a deep three-cornered gash over the temple, rendering him unconscious. Hearing his first cry another prisoner named Brown ran to the place, and upon his appearance one man made off round the gaol exercise yard, while the other stepped inside the cell. Brown closed the door on him. Doctor Breton, the Government medical officer, was immediately sent for. Mr. Sherringham is now recovering. An inquiry will be held. The two prisoners have been placed in irons. Mr. James Thorn, sheriff's officer, was doing duty as warder. This assault shows how badly Mr. Sherringham needs the assistance of a warder, which he has not had for some years past. Such assaults are likely to occur when the prisoners know that there is only one man about the premises.

Don't imagine that YANKEE DOODLE is ordinary tobacco, it claims the highest standard.—[Advt.]

SECOND EDITION.

SILVER.

LONDON, Sept. 10.

To-day's price of bar silver was 2s 6½d per ounce standard.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

LATE SITTING.

The estimates were still under consideration in the Assembly at a quarter to 4 o'clock this morning. The item of £20,000, the amount payable to the Railway Department for conveyances, without charge, of Members of Parliament, distinguished visitors, school children, and others was reduced by £5000, and the estimate for miscellaneous services as amended was, after further debate, agreed to. An amendment by Mr. Miller to reduce by £50,000 the advance of £100,000 to the Treasurer to meet unforeseen expenses was negatived, and the estimate was passed. The Premier proposed to postpone the railway estimates at the request of Mr. M'Gowen, who wished to obtain some information connected with those estimates.

VICTORIA.

By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

ACTION FOR LIBEL.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the County Court to-day, a mining agent named Cecil Barrett proceeded against William S. Grenville, claiming £499 for damages for libel. The statements complained of were contained in letters written by the defendant to persons with whom plaintiff had business transactions. The evidence showed that the defendant smarted under the loss of a mining lease at Bendock which the plaintiff secured on behalf of a Tasmanian syndicate. The plaintiff obtained a verdict for £25 and costs.

CLAIM AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The proceedings brought by Henry Dentry, an ex State school teacher, against the Crown for the recovery of £20,000 damages, with respect to grievances he is alleged to have suffered at the hands of the Instruction Department were concluded to-day. Mr. Justice a'Beckett said the facts of the case were against Dentry. He would therefore dismiss the petition with costs.

COLLAPSE OF A PRISON WALL.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The warders on duty in the Pentridge quarries yesterday morning were astonished to find that the circular wall which enclosed the establishment had collapsed for a distance of over 100ft., and that about 600ft. more was so much out of plumb as to be dangerously insecure. The cause of the collapse appears to be defective construction.

UPPER HOUSE ELECTION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The polling for the election of a member to represent the North-western Province in the Legislative Council, vice Mr. M'Bride resigned, resulted in the return of Mr. P. Phillips by a substantial majority over Mr. W. Duncan.

THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The select committee appointed to inquire into the progress of the metropolitan sewerage system sat again to-day. Mr. Thwaites, engineer of the Board of Works, was again called, and gave evidence as to the cost of pottery and other materials required in large quantities.

RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNMENT GEOLOGIST.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Mr. Reginald Murray, Government geologist, has placed his resignation in the hands of the Minister. Mr. Murray considers that the Government slighted him in selecting Mr. James Sterling, assistant Government geologist, to proceed to England to lecture on the mining resources of Victoria.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At the Port Melbourne Police Court to-day a labourer named Kernich, aged 20, was charged with persistently annoying and insulting and violently assaulting a railway gatekeeper. He was fined £10, with two guineas costs, in default three months' imprisonment.

At the same court a dairyman was fined 40s, with 50s costs, for selling adulterated milk.

Lord and Lady Brassey visited Colac to-day. They had a warm welcome. The afternoon was spent in the hunting field.

Mr. Frank Cates, the well-known actor, died in the Castlemaine Hospital last night from consumption. His body will be interred on Friday morning in the St. Kilda Cemetery.

In the Criminal Court to-day Julia Batten, formerly postmistress at Kilmore, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on two charges of forging receipts for savings bank deposits. Edwin W. Westley Williams, aged 38, formerly a clerk in the Union Bank, was sentenced to nine months for embezzlement. John Geo. Schweitzler, aged 32, telegraph operator, was sentenced to nine months for forging a promissory note.

The Perishable Products Board has supplied the Minister for Agriculture with a report upon the alleged adulteration of Victorian butter exported to Western Australia. The substance of the report is that the board attaches no weight whatever to the statement that the butter was adulterated.

AN EXTRAORDINARY OCCURRENCE.

AN ARMED MADMAN.

TERRIBLE EXPERIENCES AT SOUTH MELBOURNE.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At South Melbourne this evening the residents were thrown into a state of consternation by the conduct of a man named John M'Phail, aged 24, who, armed with a repeating rifle and a stock of cartridges, recklessly fired about a score of shots, some of which struck passers by. M'Phail's conduct for some time past has been such as to gain for him the nickname of "Cranky Alf." When 6 years of age he was boarded out by the Industrial School Department, from which he was awarded to Mr. Gillespie, of South Melbourne, with whom he stayed four years. Several times since then he got bed and meals at Gillespie's house, and he paid one of these visits last night. After obtaining a meal he went to a neighbour named Anderson, where he was provided with a shake-down. After a couple of hours' sleep he left without any warning, but reappeared this afternoon armed with a Winchester repeating rifle, and said that he intended to shoot Lord Brassey. His conduct was so strange that young Anderson attempted to take the gun from him, but failed. M'Phail made for Gillespie's house, but the maid-servant being alarmed at his appearance, locked him out. On looking through the window she saw M'Phail point a rifle at her. She dropped on the floor, and the bullet whistled through over her head. Gillespie ran out, whereupon M'Phail presented a rifle at him, and was about to fire when a couple called him from behind and got the bullet intended for Gillespie. Fortunately, the shot missed them. The madman next turned his attention to the residence of Mr. Knight, and sent two shots through the front windows and another through the front door without hurting anybody. He followed this with three bullets aimed at the driver of a passing van. Subsequently, he aimed at some cyclists and a group of children. Happily all escaped unhurt. A man named Thomas Griffiths, who was driving a baker's cart, was not so fortunate, for he got a bullet in the heel. Several other shots were fired, one of which struck a horse in the chest, and another struck the rider, a groom named Adams, on the breastbone, but glanced off and through the muscle of his arm. The next person to engage the madman's attention was a young lady named May Hibbard. M'Phail ordered her to lie down and be killed, and he threw her to the ground and placed the muzzle to her temple; but the girl caught the barrel, and while she was struggling help arrived. Before M'Phail could be secured he put a bullet into his own head and fell dead.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

THE HOSPITAL QUESTION.

[By Telegraph.]
(From our Correspondent.)

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

More developments of the hospital trouble have occurred. On Wednesday a patient suffering from abscess was admitted to the hospital, and Dr. Napier stated that it was not necessary to treat her at once. Professor Watson, honorary consulting surgeon, differed from him, and ordered the house surgeon, Dr. Moule, to treat the patient. Dr. Moule did so, and on reporting the matter to Dr. Napier, he ordered Dr. Moule to discontinue his attendance at the ward. Professor Watson and Dr. Napier afterwards had a dispute with reference to the matter. The Hospital Board met this afternoon to consider the resignations of four junior resident medical officers, and took statements from Drs. Napier and Smith and four resident officers. As a result the board suspended the four junior resident officers, pending further inquiries to be held on Monday.

COUNTRY NEWS.

(From our Correspondents.)

THE COMMISSION ON COAL CARGOES.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The Commission on Coal Cargoes resumed its sitting this afternoon. Professor Threlfall presided. Mr. Alexander Ross, manager of the Wallsend colliery, said he was not aware that vessels had been lost through coal from his colliery being overheated. Pyrites might exist in his colliery, but not to a greater extent than at other collieries. There were no greater complaints about coal from his colliery causing ignition than of others. The fall of coal might be lessened by the use of distributors in the hold. Mr. Henry Harper advocated a distributor of coal when delivered into the ship's hold. He also recommended a plan by which the destruction of coal in the hold might be minimised and also reduce the possibility of spontaneous combustion.

DENILIQUIN WATER SUPPLY.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

The Automatic Pipe Scraping Company of Melbourne are busily engaged cleaning the whole service, and the accumulation of dirt and decayed matter is astonishing. The cleaning process at first attempted was expensive and unsatisfactory, the cost being 15s per chain. Bilten and Timmens, the patentees, are executing the work at 6s per chain, and the instrument is very simple, being principally made of steel and brass with a leather pad at the back which is forced through mains with pressure of the water, the teeth of the instrument cutting away all corrosive matter before it. Progress is made at the rate of 20 or 30 chains daily.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

An accident occurred on the Narrabri-Moree railway last night, when the train was returning from Moree several hours late. The engine ran into a bullock at Bobbiwa, about 12 miles from Narrabri, and was thrown off the track. One passenger jumped off the train, and broke his leg. He was admitted to the hospital this morning. A messenger was despatched from Bobbiwa, West Narrabri, on a tricycle to bring out a relief engine; but when he arrived at the Narrabri passenger platform the tricycle was thrown off the line by a rail which had been laid across the line. Whether this was put there by accident or design is not yet known. The relief engine went out to Bobbiwa at 11 o'clock, and the road was cleared this morning. The Moree passengers arrived at 7 o'clock.

INVERELL QUARTER SESSIONS.

INVERELL, Thursday.

The quarter sessions were concluded by Judge Coffey to-day. Townson and Donoghue, charged with cattle-stealing, were acquitted. Wells, who was convicted yesterday of horse-stealing, was sentenced to two years' hard labour in Armidale Gaol.

SETTLEMENT LEASES.

WALGETT, Thursday.

The balloting took place to-day for 14 settlement leases on Yowendah, totalling 42,550 acres, and for seven of Eurie Eurie, totalling 17,625 acres. For the former there were 193 applications, and for the latter 42. All the leases were applied for, but owing to the process of balloting they were not taken up.

THE LACHLAN ELECTION.

MR. CARROLL UNOPPOSED.

HILLSTON, Thursday.

The bye-election for a member for the Lachlan on the place of Mr. James George Carroll, resigned, created very little interest. The returning officer, Mr. James M. Fullarton, states that the only nomination he received was Mr. Carroll's, and he will consequently be declared re-elected to-morrow at noon.

THE SHEARING SEASON.

COOLAH, Thursday.

Shearing started at Bingara Downs to-day with a full board at 20s; also at Rockgidgiel and Coomoo Coomoo at the same price.

DUBBO, Thursday.

Shearing throughout the district is progressing quietly. Benah station has cut out, averaging 8lb. 11oz. per sheep. This is considered a splendid average.

WAGGA, Thursday.

Shearing is proceeding quietly at Gobbagumbalin with a full board. It is believed that there is no scarcity of shearers in the district. The police authorities anticipate no trouble at any of the sheds.

THE ALBURY SHOW.

ALBURY, Thursday.

The second day of the Albury show was most successful. There was an enormous attendance, the gate receipts exceeding those of last year by £90. The jumping contests excited much interest, resulting as follows:—

13-stone Hunters.—C. H. Morris's Fairfield, 1; C. Turnbull's Landmark, 2; J. H. Balfour's Vagrant, 3.

11-stone Hunters.—J. M'Donald's Killarney, 1; J. T. Martin's Shakespeare, 2.

12-stone Hunters.—R. F. Reid, 1; E. P. Connolly, 2.

Pony Hunters.—T. Newton's Handface, 1; F. Korff's Psyche, 2.

Trotting test, 1 mile.—Beattie.

AGITATION FOR A RAILWAY.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

A largely-attended public meeting held in the council-chambers last night, presided over by the Mayor (Alderman James Armstrong), considered the advisability of forming a railway league for the purpose of agitating for the construction of a railway line from Narrandera to Barellan, a distance of 32 miles. It was resolved that the secretaries of the Narrandera and Colinroobie leagues write to the Commissioners for Railways requesting them to send an officer to inspect the proposed route, and that in the meantime a petition be prepared and presented to the Government. This year 20,000 acres of land are under wheat crop along the proposed line.

PUBLIC WORKS SECTIONAL COMMITTEE.

CONDOBOLIN, Thursday.

The Public Works Sectional Committee concluded taking evidence yesterday, and left about 9 o'clock this morning. The committee will take evidence at Euabalong. So far the trip has been a good one as regards weather.

THE TAMWORTH WATERWORKS.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

A special meeting of the borough council was held to-night to attend to a resolution passed in May last limiting the council's liability for waterworks to £37,522, the estimated cost, by striking out the amount. The Mayor gave a detailed account of the negotiations that had passed between him and the Minister for Works, who had explained that the Government could not go on with the work until a resolution was passed in accordance with the Country Towns Water and Sewerage Act accepting the full liability for the works. Mr. Young had said the work was not likely to cost the estimated amount, and had given an undertaking to accept no tender without the approval of the council. A resolution in accordance with the Act was carried by 7 votes to 2.

PROPOSED LIGHT LINE OF RAILWAY.

CUDAL, Thursday.

A meeting was held last night in the School of Arts, Cudal, to discuss matters referring to the construction of a light railway line from Toogong to Cudal. Mr. W. Shield, J.P., Mayor of Cudal, presided. This line has been under the Minister's consideration for nearly two years, and the meeting decided to bring it again under his notice. Newly-collected statistics showed that there was a local production of about 250,000 bushels of grain, besides fruit and root crops. The meeting resolved to forward statistics to Dr. Ross, member for the district, with the request that he will arrange for a deputation to interview the Minister at an early date, to lay the matter before him.

BATHURST, Thursday.

A cheap excursion train left to-day, taking 234 passengers to Sydney.

BEGA, Thursday.

The remains of Mr. John Jauncey, J.P., who died yesterday, were interred to-day in a private burying ground on his own property. The funeral cortège was very large, and all the surrounding districts were represented. Mr. Jauncey leaves descendants to the fourth generation.

The weather was warm to-day. The milk supply to the creameries is increasing.

Almost every landholder is cultivating more land than in any previous year.

BLAYNEY, Thursday.

An excursion train passed through to-day with a large number of passengers from the West to Sydney.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

Mr. Julius A. Amschel, the representative of an English and Continental smelting firm, left last night after a short visit here. He was much impressed with the resources of the mines. The object of his visit was to arrange for the purchase of ores.

The weather was very oppressive and sultry to-day, with every indication of a thunderstorm. Rain is badly wanted.

BOURKE, Thursday.

Mr. Corbett Lawson, the new police magistrate, arrived last night from Bingara. At the police court this morning he was welcomed to Bourke by Mr. Hughes, the oldest magistrate, by Mr. Biddulph Salenger, solicitor, and by Mr. Daniel Mayor.

The weather is warm.

BRAIDWOOD, Thursday.

Mr. John Kenny, C.P.S. for the past seven years, who was lately retired, has been presented with a purse of sovereigns by Mr. R. M. Higgins, the Mayor, on behalf of the residents of the district.

CONDOBOLIN, Thursday.

A number of allotments on the Boganditton Estate were applied for to-day. Two blocks were balloted for.

To-day has been the warmest of the season. There is still no sign of rain.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

Mr. Wyse, who has held the secretaryship of the School of Arts for the last 14 years, has resigned owing to the pressure of other business, and Mr. Jefferson, who has held the office of treasurer for nine years, has resigned to allow the introduction of fresh blood. Messrs. Sunderland and Kenully have been appointed to fill the respective vacancies. There are 4000 volumes in the members' library and about 700 in the free library. During Mr. Wyse's term over £1400 was collected and spent on the now imposing edifice, which is free from any debt or liability.

The first Land Appeal Court will be held at the courthouse here on the 23rd instant, and all cases from the Hay district will be heard at the same time. There are over 50 cases altogether, and counsel will appear for the different appellants.

DUBBO, Thursday.

The weather is very dry. The crops are looking well, but if rain does not come shortly the growth will be retarded.

GLEN INNES, Thursday.

Thomas O'Hara, an old and respected resident of Glen Innes, died yesterday after a long illness.

INVERELL, Thursday.

Mrs. Harland, who has been a resident of this district for 30 years, died at her residence yesterday.

LAWSON, Thursday.

The special cheap excursion trains from the western district to-night were crowded with passengers. The Mudgee division, which ran first, carried over 400 passengers, that from Bathurst, which followed a few hours afterwards, had about 600, and the three others from Bourke, Dubbo, and Forbes, which ran through during the night, were even more crowded than these.

LISMORE, Thursday.

A considerable amount of sickness is prevalent in severe forms of cold. There have been several cases of pneumonia.

The showers of rain which fell in the early part of the week have done a great amount of good.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

Nine applications were received at the council meeting last night for the position of council clerk. Mr. W. J. Lake was appointed.

MOREE, Thursday.

The railway contractors will have over 100 men employed in ballasting the line before the end of the week.

During this season 2500 bales of wool have already been trucked from Moree.

There has been a nice shoot of grass, following the recent rainfall, but more rain is needed to save the season.

MURRURUNDI, Thursday.

A tea and public meeting was held last night in connection with the local Wesleyan church. The Mayor (Dr. Rufus Bell) presided, and the meeting was well attended. Addresses were delivered by the chairman, the Revs. J. W. Winspear, W. G. Taylor (President of the Wesleyan Conference), and R. B. Bowes. About £20 was raised for the church fund.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

The Narrabri Philharmonic Society held its second concert in the Town Hall last night. There was a fair attendance. Mrs. E. V. Ffrench, of Moree, assisted.

The survey of the Woolabra-Collarenebri line has now reached Bulyeroi.

Mr. Alfred Humphries, of Derriwa, is dead. He was a pioneer at Collarenebri.

NOWRA, Thursday.

A six-roomed house belonging to James M'Pherson, and unoccupied for several weeks past, was burnt to the ground at Cambewarra early yesterday morning. It was insured in the Mercantile Mutual Company.

A successful service of song in connection with the Wesleyan Church was held to-night.

Mr. Nisbett, police magistrate, has received an order to adjudicate in the court at Robertson in addition to his duties here.

The Shoalhaven Agricultural Society has completed the revision of the schedule of the February show. The prizes for dairy stock have been curtailed.

PAMBULA, Thursday.

The contractors for the bridge across the Pambula River have pushed ahead with the work. The bridge is expected to be completed in a few days.

The weather continues very warm, and the grass looks well. Ploughing and farming operations are in full swing. A good season appears to be almost assured.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

Albert Simmons has been elected alderman of South Singleton, vice Macgowan, resigned.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

Mr. E. Jones, P.M., took his seat on the bench this morning for the first time. Mr. W. Smith, for the solicitors, and Dr. Pratt, for the magistrates, congratulated his Worship on his promotion.

TEMORA, Thursday.

The Rev. J. Dawson Edwards was last night inducted to the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian Church, and was afterwards tendered a welcome tea meeting. The church was crowded. Addresses were delivered by the Revs. J. Cosh, H. A. Hutchison, J. Macandrew, and J. Milne.

The weather is fine and warm. Spring has fairly set in.

WAGGA, Thursday.

At the local land board sittings this week a large number of cases of reappraisement of special areas was dealt with. The reductions made range from 35 to 50 per cent.

A telegraphic chess match was commenced to-night between the Wagga and Bathurst clubs. For Wagga the players were Messrs. Riley, L. S. Crakanthorp, G. H. Graham, Dr. Thane, C. Galloway, J. E. Gormly. For Bathurst, the Rev. T. Tracy (captain), C. H. Kite, A. E. Hurford, G. H. Kite, H. Canterell, the Rev. J. G. Oakes.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The meeting of the local land board for the land district of Wellington is fixed for the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th September, at the Wellington courthouse. A heavy list of cases is to be considered.

A tea and concert in connection with the Wesleyan church was held in the Protestant Hall last night. It was largely attended. The Rev. L. H. Kelynack informed the company that it was their intention to erect a new church, owing to the present building being too small. A large amount was promised at the meeting towards forwarding the movement.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

So far this week the coal trade has been only moderate. Yesterday there was not a cargo sent away, but to-day two vessels, the Annie Bow and the Kurrara, loaded and left for Sydney, while the steamers Palmerston and Herga were loaded at the Kembla Company's jetty, Port Kembla. The Loch Lee arrived at the Southern Coal Company's jetty, Kembla, this evening.

Mr. Archibald Campbell, M.P., has been advised by the Land Department that the application by the Central Illawarra Council for recreation reserve at Lake Illawarra, opposite Hooka Island, will be finally dealt with during the current month. The Central Illawarra Council has decided to undertake no works except those of extreme urgency until the finances are in a better state.

A report is current at Kembla that a representative of a French syndicate, who has been looking out for a suitable site for smelting works, intends commencing operations near Port Kembla so soon as the construction of the harbour there has been decided on.

CHESS.

SYDNEY CHESS CLUB v. THE SCHOOL OF ARTS CHESS CLUB.

A successful gathering of chess players took place last night at the Imperial Arcade Hotel, where the Sydney Chess Club has its quarters. The occasion was a meeting with the team representing the old-established School of Arts Club. In the former trial of strength the Sydney Club proved victorious, but it was felt that the vanquished had on this occasion a stronger force to represent them, and a close struggle was anticipated. The spectators were not disappointed, for at the call of time the School of Arts Club had scored 10 games, the Sydney 8, and two were unfinished. In accordance with the agreement arrived at these will be referred to Mr. Charlick, of Adelaide, for adjudication, and his award will naturally be looked for with interest. Mr. Wallace captained the home team and Mr. Jacobsen the visitors. The meeting was in all respects an unqualified success, and it would certainly be an excellent thing if matches between these two clubs were of more frequent occurrence. Results to date:—

Sydney Chess Club.—1, Mr. Wallace, ½; 2, Mr. Crane, 1; 3, Mr. Scott, 1; 4, Mr. Bristow, ½; 5, Mr. Ridley, *; 6, Lieutenant-Colonel Walker, 0; 7, Mr. Linden, 0; 8, Mr. Lee, *; 9, Mr. Wallis, ½; 10, Mr. Nicholls, 0; 11, Mr. Godhard, 0; 12, Mr. Martin, 1; 13, Mr. North, ½; 14, Mr. Conroy, ½; 15, Mr. Tolley, 0; 16, Mr. Horrocks, 0; 17, Mr. Kirkpatrick, 1; 18, Mr. Trowell, 0; 19, Mr. Delobery, 0; 20, Mr. Molenaar, 1. Total, 8.

School of Arts Chess Club.—1, Mr. Jacobsen, ½; 2, Mr. Hall, 0; 3, Mr. Jones, 0; 4, Mr. Foster, ½; 5, Mr. Mackenzie, *; 6, Mr. Hirst, 1; 7, Mr. H. Taylour, 1; 8, Mr. Henderson, *; 9, Mr. Pietzcker, ½; 10, Dr. Lankaster, 1; 11, Rev. A. Miller, 1; 12, Mr. Maclaren, 0; 13, Mr. Bignold, ½; 14, Mr. Little, ½; 15, Mr. Oertel, ½; 16, Mr. Beeby, 1; 17, Dr. Nash, 0; 18, Mr. Driver, 1; 19, Mr. Cordeld, 1; 20, Mr. Glynn, 0. Total, 10.

* Unfinished. To be adjudicated.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

(From our Correspondent.)

WINDSOR, Thursday.

The Railway Commissioners visited Windsor and Richmond to-day by special train. They expressed satisfaction with everything at both stations. They were met at Richmond by the Mayor and aldermen, who pointed out to them the inconvenience caused by the limited space of the station yard, and asked for a new line to be laid down on to the land adjoining Windsor-street, to give accommodation for loading and reloading produce, &c. The Commissioners consented to grant the request. Messrs. Eddy, Fehon, and Henson were amongst those present.

THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE ASSEMBLY.

THE BOARD'S STATUTORY REPORT.

DEMAND BY THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION.

MORE CRITICISM OF THE RETRENCHMENT SCHEME.

THE PREMIER IN DEFENCE.

When the Assembly last evening resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for further considering the Estimates,

Mr. LYNE said that on the previous night, following Mr. M'Gowen, he had complained of the absence of the report from the Public Service Commissioners explaining the reasons which led to the action they had taken in the various departments. The Premier, in answer, stated, not that the board was not required by law to furnish this report, but that the board should be allowed to go through the first year, in contravention to the Act. He had thought the matter over and he had tried since the previous night to go through the Estimates to see what information he could obtain with regard to the alterations that had been made, and he had found that without that information from the Government through the board it was absolutely impossible for the committee to come to any understanding of what had been done. For that reason he would move at the conclusion of his speech,—"That the Chairman leave the chair, report progress, and obtain leave to sit again."

The PREMIER: It will get rid of a lot of bills on the paper. It will hinder Public business.

Mr. LYNE: He knew that in moving a motion of this kind he might be considered obstructive; but he wanted it to be fully understood that he did not take the course he had done with the object of being obstructive, for if the motion was defeated—as probably it would be—he would allow the Government to take the whole of the Estimates after the protest that he would make. It would be a saving of time, because if the motion was not laid in that way it would only cause another more definite motion to be made in reference to certain things which would take a considerable period of time. He himself would speak at very short length, and he hoped that the debate would not take more than two or three hours at the most. As he had explained before, it was absolutely impossible without the information they ought to obtain from the Public Service Board to follow the Estimates in the comprehensive way in which they ought to be followed by the Chamber. When the Public Service Bill was before the House he found on referring to *Hansard* that he protested strongly against the power given to the board in the bill to an responsible board, under which they would be able to snap their fingers at Parliament. He then protested against the board being given absolute power, as absolute a power as had been given to the Railway Commissioners, under which the *Railway* Commissioners had done many things of which he did not approve. It simply took away the power of Parliament to deal with anything which might take place. The position which he had predicted then had come to pass. The Commissioners could simply snap their fingers at the committee and at Parliament. He was very loth to make any charges against the gentlemen composing the board, because two of them were personal friends of his, but he could not shut his eyes to the appointment of certain individuals, which ought to be investigated. He wanted the report of the commissioners to show why certain appointments had been made, why certain dismissals had taken place, and upon what scheme the three commissioners had made the alterations and revisions which had taken place throughout the service. The Premier had stated when the bill was introduced that the Civil Service was in favour of the course he proposed, but he (Mr. Lyne) was bound to say that at the present time the Civil Service, not even those who had been retained, would be found to be in favour of the Public Service Act. The statement had been made that when the Commissioners were appointed a blue book was in course of preparation, but that the Commissioners immediately gave orders that the preparation should cease. Why was that course followed? Generally there were four or five blue books on the table of the committee, so that information could be gleaned by them, but if there was no blue book for the year how could information be obtained? He was not in the House to defend the Civil Service in any persistent manner, but they were all present to see that no injustice was done in any part of the service. There was a clause in the Public Service Act which provided that the Commissioners should personally visit and inspect every department, and, he thought, every branch of each department. If they had not been able to do that——

Mr. SEE: They have not done so.

Mr. LYNE: He knew that, but the Act distinctly stated that they should do so. How could three mortal men in three or four months, acting on the instructions of the Government to do a certain thing in a certain time, and save a certain amount of money, find time to do that work? It was absolutely impossible. Parliament did not know under whose authority the payment of a large number of salaries had been transferred from revenue to loan funds. There was a great deal of difference between the old and the present systems, and it appeared that the payments, which amounted to over £100,000 for official work in connection with the carrying out of certain public works, were greater than they had ever been before. Without this report Parliament could not gather what had been done. Moreover, all the main retrenchments seemed to have been with regard to small salaries, and there were numerous cases which proved the truth of this statement. Information was certainly required as to why new men had been introduced to the public service to do work that had been satisfactorily performed by the officers who had previously held the appointments. The late Under-Secretary for Mines had been removed, although he was a most capable officer, and been replaced by Mr. M'Lachlan, who was also an excellent man, but whose previous training and experience suggested that he should have been appointed to the position of Under-Secretary for Public Works rather than to any other. And Colonel Rowe, a gentleman quite new to the public service, had been appointed to the position of president of the Water and Sewerage Board, a change which was quite unnecessary, in fact it looked as if the whole of these changes had been brought about for the purpose of placing Colonel Rowe in that position. From the wording of the 18th section of the Public Service Act it was quite clear that it was the intention of Parliament that annual reports should be submitted by the board as to the condition of the service, and unless that report was received before the Estimates were dealt with it would be of comparatively little use. So far as he was concerned, if he were head of any department, he would not allow the Public Service Board to dismiss any officer he thought should not be dismissed. Ministers had power to deal with such subjects, and were, he held, absolutely responsible for every dismissal and appointment that had been carried out. (Hear, hear.) He moved that the chairman leave the chair.

The PREMIER said he regretted the hon. member had made the speech he had upon a motion of the character of that before the committee. It was easy to understand that any member might be desirous of information upon the question or any other matter that might be brought forward, but the course taken by the leader of the Opposition would simply have the effect of putting an end to all public business on the paper; and on what grounds could he expect the House to accept his motion? On the previous evening the whole question of the proceedings in connection with the Estimates had been dealt with, and if many hon. members had intimated that they did not feel themselves equal to the task of considering the Estimates until the appeals to the Public Service Board had been dealt with, the Government could have been approached on that subject and possibly the Estimates might have been postponed. But instead of that Mr. Lyne had moved an adverse motion, which if carried would have the effect of throwing the policy of this and the last Parliament out of gear, and of placing the power in the hands of gentlemen who wanted to uproot all the present system, which had received Parliamentary approval, and to revert to the old style of political patronage. The House was not likely to agree to any such proposal, and it was cruel to members who had been working on the Estimates—as many of them, including a number of gentlemen who sat on the Opposition benches, had been—to ask them now to throw away the labour they had engaged in and stultify themselves by saying they did not know what they were doing when they passed the Estimates that had already gone through. It was an outrage upon public business, and grossly unfair to hon. members who were desirous of doing their duty. (Hear, hear.) Ministers would be delighted to conform to the proper conditions of Parliamentary life and business if they were only allowed to, but they had to choose between letting the interests of the country be neglected or of sacrificing their own physical comfort. Some of the patriots who spoke about the late sittings outside would not stay in the House and help them to do their duty. He did not feel inclined to take up the time of the House in following the hon. member at any length, but he would make a few observations. In the first place the Government did not refuse information. It was absolutely without foundation that they had attempted to delay the publication of the Blue Book for 1895. A large number of statements had been made about the Public Service Board which were absolutely without foundation. When they had set that engine going they all knew that every man turned out would agitate and agitate; but if they were going to be turned aside from a solid reform by statements of that sort, they should never have passed the Act. The work of the board came to a reduction of £300,000 a year in the cost of the public service to the country. Look what that meant in railway construction. That sum would pay the interest on nearly 10 millions of the public debt. Why should that interest be paid out of other moneys when it could be saved by an economical system of Civil Service reform? That was a great and solid achievement. He would say to the public servants of the country that if they thought they would do better by going to members of Parliament instead of taking the course the law had prescribed, that was an appeal to the Public Service Board, they made a serious mistake. (Hear, hear.) The old rotten state of things had been terminated for ever—(hear, hear)—and they were not going after all the misery that had been caused by this necessary operation to expose Civil servants to further misery from the same cause. If they went back now, in five years the same operation would have to be done again. What reasonable member of the House wished for a report from the board until the appeals had been heard? That way of challenging the position of the Government, and asking the House to throw aside all its legislation

and its promised legislation, must cause a feeling of regret that the higher traditions of party government were not observed. That sort of thing justified much that was said against party government. The hon. member was inviting a Parliamentary party struggle which would establish the reputation of the House as the most silly body that ever was entrusted with the confidence of the electors, and the hon. member did it as a thing he was accustomed to do. He hoped hon. members would not think he was guilty of any want of respect if he did not make a speech on the question. Were they to go on with the Estimates or not? They had done one-third of the work last night, and he asked the committee to go on. They would have the report from the Public Service Board in time to consider it with the next Estimates. He had no hesitation in saying that if hon. members only had one-tenth of the knowledge of the abuses which had been eradicated, of the dishonest men who had been removed from the public service of the country, men who had pilfered public funds and remained in their positions, many of them who had failed in their duty in the grossest possible way, who had been unfaithful and drunken under the eyes of responsible Ministers year after year because they happened to be connected with influential families, they would not make these charges. These men had gone; not one of them was left; but some people who knew the truth of what he was saying, and who never had the courage to do what they ought to have done themselves, when the board did what they ought to have done came forward and condemned it. He did not mind mentioning this fact. In one of the departments presided over by a gentleman who had been looked upon as a victim of the board there were 17 public officers who had been guilty of tampering with the public funds. It was time that sort of thing should be stopped. If hon. members wanted the board to give them full information they would get more than enough, but the board properly had sat still under these torrents of attack and misrepresentation. They had not rushed to him to come forward and tell the House this or that. They were prepared to be judged by their work, and he thought that the House was prepared to wait until it had a full opportunity of judging them.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said the motion had been put forward as a protest. One Minister kept in his place a public servant who had been guilty of misconduct.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS: Who was that?

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: You.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said the hon. member had made a distinct charge of public corruption. He would ask the Chairman to call upon him to make his statement of that explicit character that it could be investigated.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said he would do that when the Premier gave the names of the 17 officers he had referred to.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said he gave an absolute denial to the statement, for which there was no foundation whatever, and which the hon. member knew there was no foundation for.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said he had made the statement on good authority, and when he had consulted this authority he would mention the name.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said he gave an absolute denial to the statement, and he demanded in accordance with the rules of the House that if the hon. member did not accept his denial the Chairman should compel him to accept the denial of what was an absolute lie. (Cries of "Chair" and "Order.")

The CHAIRMAN: The hon. member must accept the denial of the Minister.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said that he was bound by Parliamentary rule to accept the denial, but he would show the Minister for Lands that what he said was correct. Of course, if he found that his information was wrong he would be glad to admit it.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS: And apologise.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: If he was misinformed he would say so. He felt that he must defend the 600 men who had been retrenched from the cowardly attack which had been made upon them by the Premier. Party Government was a failure in all countries, and was responsible for more trouble than anything else that could be suggested. There was a rumour outside that the report of the Public Service Board in regard to the Government Printing Office had been kept back because it recommended a reduction in the compositors' wages of 1d per 1000 ens. The Government did not dare to bring that report out before the Estimates were passed for fear of the labour party.

The PREMIER: That is absolutely untrue. No such report has been prepared.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN: Why had some Civil servants been retired on the ground of old age, when much older men had been allowed to remain in the service? He could mention numerous cases of injustice. The postmistress at Waverley had been retired at 24 hours' notice, when she had only four months to serve to entitle her to a retiring allowance. The appeals would be as great a farce as the appeals to the Railway Commissioners. It seemed to him that the board had simply scamped its work hurriedly in order to assist and oblige the Government. He also wished to complain of the treatment meted out to the school teachers, and to the delay in the payment of the gratuities. He would also like to know why Mr. Coghlan had suddenly left the board to attend to other duties.

The PREMIER: I can give you a very good reason for that.

Mr. HUGHES said that this being the first set of Estimates submitted showing a distinct saving, the House would stultify itself if it sent them back.

Mr. ROSE said that 600 men had been discharged from the Public Service, and it was reasonable for them to demand the grounds of such discharges. If it was true that 17 of those men were plunderers—robbers—it was the duty of the Premier to prosecute them. They ought to have a report so that they might know who the 17 were, and thus remove the stigma which might otherwise attach to some of the other officers who had been discharged. The board ought to state who the 17 scoundrels were.

Mr. HAYNES said there was an utter absence of diplomatic tact in the conduct of the Opposition. The real cause of the hostility to the Public Service Board was the dislike of leading members of the Opposition to it, because the existence of such a board deprived them of every chance of exercising patronage.

Mr. CHANTER: Have not the Ministers the progress reports?

The PREMIER: No.

Mr. CHANTER: How can the Premier say that when he said that 17 officers had been dismissed because of fraudulent practices?

Mr. GORMLY said that, as there could not be a general debate on the Public Service Board on any particular item, the only course open to the leader of the Opposition to have that general debate was to move the motion he had done. He (Mr. Gormly) was not prepared to give any opinion on the work the board had done; but he would say that the work had been done too hurriedly.

Mr. CRICK said the Opposition did not want the labour party, who were not of his party. Men who had been discharged for offences such as those referred to by the Premier should be named, so that the 600 public servants who had also been retrenched should not lie under the cloud of suspicion that each one of them might be one of the 17 who had been found guilty of felonies. The Premier had either said too much or too little, for at the expense of these 17 persons 580 men had been slandered. Moreover, the question might be asked—why, when these persons were found to have offended, as stated, the cases were not reported to the authorities.

Mr. FERGUSON said it seemed that the House was being treated to one of those periodic votes of censure which emanated from the Opposition. There was no question that when the Public Service Bill was passed every member of the House was favourable to it, and considered it was high time such an Act should be placed upon the statute book. Further, when the board was appointed it was the general belief that the members of it were the right persons to carry out the important duties they had undertaken. The Public Service Board might with advantage make further reductions than they had already made.

Mr. F. CLARKE said he wished to protest against the passing of the Estimates until the report upon the retrenchments in the service had been made.

The amendment was negatived on the following division:—

AYES, 27.

Brown, H. H.	Kelly	Perry
Campbell, Alex.	Levien	Price
Chanter	Lyne	Pyers
Copeland	Mackay	Schey
Fitzgerald	M'Farlane	See
Fitzpatrick, T.	M'Laughlin	Wright
Gormly	Miller	Wood } Tellers.
Hurley	Nelson	Clarke, F. }
Jones, T.	O'Sullivan	

NOES, 53.

Anderson	Gould	Piddington, W. H. B.
Ashton	Graham	Reid
Bavister	Harris	Rigg
Black	Hawthorne	Sleath
Brown, T.	Haynes	Smailes
Bronker	Hughes	Smith, S.
Campbell, Arch.	Jessep	Storey
Cann	Law	Thomas
Carruthers	Macdonald	Thomson, J.
Cook	Mahony	Watkins
Cotton	M'Gowen	Wheeler
Davis	M'Lean	Whiddon
Dick	Millard	Wilks
Edden	Millen	Young
Ferguson	Molesworth	Jones, L. C. R. }
Fitzpatrick, J. C. L.	Moore	Watson }
Garrard	Morgan	[Tellers.
Gillies	Nicholson	
	Phillips, S.	

PAIRS.—For the Government: Fegan, Parkes, M'Millan, and Dill. Against: Hassall, Ross, H. Clarke, and Crick.

ELECTORAL REGISTRARS.

The appointment of the following electoral registrars and deputy registrars is announced in a supplement to the *Gazette*:—

Electoral Registrars: Mr. William Keohan, postmaster, Wallsend; Mr. H. P. R. Treatt, acting clerk of petty sessions, Raleigh; Mr. J. M'Kensey, clerk of petty sessions, Goulburn; Mr. J. M'Kensey, clerk of petty sessions, Argyle. Deputy Registrars: Mr. A. J. Shipley, acting postmaster, Katoomba division of Hartley electorate; Mr. J. R. Nash, postmaster, Katoomba division of Hartley electorate; Mr. W. H. Bedford, acting postmaster, Taralga division of Argyle electorate; Mr. A. N. Muir, postmaster, Taralga division of Argyle electorate; Mr. A. F. Cornell, acting postmaster, Mosman division of Warringah electorate.

A special meeting of the committee of the Society of Artists was held yesterday afternoon at the Cliff Studios, Pitt-street, to consider the advisability of inaugurating an art union in aid of the building fund of the society. After discussion, Mr. T. P. Mahoney moved, seconded by Mr. A. H. Fullwood,—"That Mr. A. S. Gordon be entrusted with the management of an art union in aid of the building fund of the Society of Artists." The motion was carried unanimously.

NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

The President took the Chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

THE COAL MINES REGULATION BILL.

Mr. PRESIDENT announced the receipt of a message from the Legislative Assembly stating that the House had agreed to certian amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Coal Mines Regulation Bill, but had not accepted others. They had also inserted certain amendments, in which they asked the concurrence of the Council.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, the consideration of the message was made an order of the day for Wednesday next.

CONSOLIDATION OF ACTS.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (on behalf of the Attorney-General), leave was given to bring in a bill for consolidating enactments relating to the interpretation of Acts of Parliament and for further shortening their language.

GEORGE-STREET AND HARRIS-STREET ELECTRIC TRAMWAY BILL.

On the motion of the VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, the George-street and Harris-street Electric Tramway Bill was read the third time, and returned to the Assembly.

CAPERTEE TRAMWAY BILL.

The House having gone into committee for consideration of the Assembly's message in reference to the Council's amendments in the Capertee Tramway Bill,

The committee insisted upon certain of its amendments, and accepted some amendments made by the Assembly with modifications. A message was subsequently forwarded to the Assembly furnishing reasons for the course adopted.

MUNICIPAL BATHS BILL.

Dr. CULLEN moved the second reading of the Municipal Baths Bill, and said that the bill was intended to amend the Municipalities Act of 1867, to enable municipalities to lease and acquire lands, and to erect baths thereon, and to lease and acquire baths already erected, and to validate the acts of certain municipal councils which had already constructed or acquired baths beyond their boundaries. It had long been a reflection upon the enterprise of our municipal councils that with such facilities as we possessed so little bathing accommodation existed in the city and suburbs.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was passed through committee with some verbal amendments. The third reading of the bill was made an order of the day for Wednesday next.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY ELECTRIC LIGHTING BILL.

The House resolved itself into committee for further consideration of the Municipal Council of Sydney Electric Lighting Bill.

Clause 1, "Short title," was agreed to.

Clause 2, "Interpretation."

Dr. NORTON moved the omission of the words "'Private purposes' means any purposes whatever to which electricity may for the time being be applicable (not being public purposes) except the transmission of any telegram or telephonic message." He thought that the proposal to allow the municipal council to provide private persons with the electric light was indefensible, and it would be interfering with the rights of private companies in a most objectionable manner.

Mr. FOWLER said he certainly could not agree to the amendment. There was no doubt that the municipal council would derive very little profit from the work of lighting the streets, and therefore if the council could make a profit out of private lighting they ought to be allowed to do so, especially as after all the citizens would benefit by it.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said that if they once conceded the right to the municipal council of introducing the system of electric lighting he did not see why that right should not be extended to private purposes. The bill would be useless without this power.

Mr. STEPHEN said that he would have no objection to giving the council power to go in for public lighting if a clause were added to the bill giving the municipal council power to grant permits to other councils or any person willing to carry on the work, so as not to throw the whole burden on the Municipal Council of Sydney, which could not successfully undertake the work on the capital mentioned in the bill.

Dr. MACLAURIN said he was in no way convinced that it would be wise to give the Municipal Council of Sydney the powers proposed to be conferred upon it. He was not at all satisfied with the municipal council in other matters, and the House ought to be cautious in giving it powers not connected with the duty of its members as councillors.

Mr. R. H. D. WHITE said he was in favour of the bill, and would vote for it as a whole.

Mr. MACINTOSH said that the charge made by Dr. MacLaurin against the Municipal Council of Sydney was entirely gratuitous. At the same time he thought that the suggestion made by the hon. member Mr. Stephen was a good one.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said it would be very hard to limit the powers of the municipal council as proposed by the amendment, as there would be no direct revenue from the city lighting.

Mr. DANGAR said that the proposal to allow an irresponsible body to borrow thousands and thousands of pounds to enter into competition with private enterprise was very objectionable, and he would therefore vote for the amendment.

Mr. HUGHES said that no private company was likely to get the power to supply Sydney with the electric light, and therefore if the committee refused to give these powers to the Municipal Council of Sydney the citizens would be deprived of the benefit of any electric lighting at all.

The amendment was negatived on division by 13 to 9, and the clause, after being verbally amended, was agreed to.

In clause 3, "Council may supply electricity,"

Mr. Kater moved the omission of the words "Provided that electricity may be supplied outside the said limits in manner hereinafter set forth."

The amendment was negatived on division by 11 to 10.

The clause was agreed to on division by 14 to 7.

Clause 4, "General powers of the council."

Dr. MACLAURIN said that if the clause were passed in its present form there was nothing which the council could not do. It was altogether too wide, and he hoped the hon. member in charge of the bill would see his way to modify it so as to restrict the powers of the council to generating electricity and supplying electricity.

After further discussion the House resumed, progress was reported, and leave given to sit again on Thursday next.

TREASURY BUILDING BILL.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL moved the second reading of the Additions to the Treasury Building Bill.

Mr. DANGAR said it had always been a matter of regret to him to see the slipshod way in which the public buildings were constructed. The public was now never afforded an opportunity of seeing the design of the proposed new buildings, and the Government Architect seemed to have received *carte blanche* to put up any kind of building he liked. It was a subject of general regret that the public had not an opportunity of ascertaining what was being done, and also that outside competition was not invited in the construction of public buildings. (Hear, hear.)

The motion for the second reading of the bill was agreed to, and the bill was passed through committee without amendment. The third reading of the bill was made an order of the day for Wednesday next.

NEWCASTLE FRIENDLY SOCIETIES AND TRADES HALL ACT AMENDMENT BILL.

On the motion of the Vice-President of the Executive Council, the Newcastle Friendly Societies and Trades Hall Act Amendment Bill was read the second time, passed through committee without amendment, and the third reading was made an order of the day for Wednesday next.

ADJOURNMENT.

The House at 9.5 p.m. adjourned until 4 o'clock on Wednesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.

THE ESTIMATES.

When we went to press with the first edition of *Thursday's* issue the Assembly was then considering the Estimates. A summary of the subsequent proceedings at the sitting appeared in the second edition of the *Herald*, but we give below a more comprehensive outline of the business.

The estimates, "Fire Brigades, £956; Civil Service Board, £5000; Botanic Gardens, £5575; Nursery Garden, Campbelltown, £1005; Government Domains, £2695; Garden Palace Grounds, £1100; Centennial Park, £4280; and Electoral Office, £2585," were passed without amendment.

Estimate, "Military Secretary, £2078."

Item, "Military Secretary, £800."

Mr. J. C. L. FITZPATRICK moved that the item be reduced by £100.

The amendment was negatived on division by 22 votes to 15.

Mr. J. C. L. FITZPATRICK moved that the item be reduced by £80.

The amendment was negatived on division by 25 votes to 13.

The item was agreed to and the estimate was passed.

"Permanent and Volunteer Military Forces, £161,133."

Mr. EDDEN moved that the estimate be reduced by £5000.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY said the original estimate of the Major-General was £181,133, and he was told by the Government to reduce that amount by a sum of £20,000. Since 1892 there had been reductions in the military vote of £64,000, making a total of £84,000. Major-General Hutton, before leaving the colony, had confidentially told him that the forces could not be efficiently worked under a vote of £200,000 per annum.

The amendment was negatived on the voices and the estimate was agreed to.

"Charitable allowances, £55,345." The item was agreed to after debate.

"Miscellaneous services, £62,140."

Mr. MILLER moved to reduce the item "to meet rent of Government premises occupied by various sub-departments, £2000," by £500.

The amendment was negatived on division by 29 votes to 11.

Mr. WILLIS said he would like to move to strike out the item "Erection of statue Governor Phillip, £5885." They should throw the statue over the Heads.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY said the amount had been previously voted, and had now to be revoted.

The PREMIER said the contract had been signed and completed in 1888, and the money would have to be paid. They could not get out of it now.

Mr. WATSON moved the omission of the item.

The amendment was negatived on division by 25 votes to 16.

"Hawkesbury Agricultural Association in respect of pavilion exhibits—special grant in aid of—£300."

Mr. T. FITZPATRICK moved the omission of the item.

The amendment was negatived.

The estimate, "Miscellaneous services, £62,140," was passed without reduction.

The House resumed, progress was reported, and leave was given to sit again on the following day.

COAL MINES REGULATION BILL.

The MINISTER FOR MINES moved,—"That the report of the Committee of the Whole on the Legislative Council's amendments in the Coal Mines Regulation Bill be now adopted."

The motion was agreed to, and it was ordered that the usual message should be forwarded to the Council.

ADJOURNMENT.

The PREMIER moved,—"That the House do now adjourn."

Mr. WILLIS said that no provision had been made to enable the members of the committee sitting on the question of the removal of the abattoirs to visit portions of this colony or the other colonies for the purpose of taking evidence.

The PREMIER said if a certain amount of money was required to enable sectional committees to visit abattoirs he was quite willing that such provision should be made.

The motion was agreed to, and the House at 3.45 a.m. adjourned until the usual hour on Thursday afternoon.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.

Mr. Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. F. Clarke, said it was considered advisable for many reasons to publish information respecting old unpaid vouchers in the Treasury. Every effort had been made to have the sums due paid to the persons entitled to receive the same. Regarding vouchers for refunds on account of land transactions, at the time the vouchers were forwarded by the Lands Department to the Treasury for payment a circular letter was also issued by that department informing the persons concerned of the action taken, and requesting them to apply at the Treasury for the sums payable so that the proper persons could obtain the money.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in reply to Mr. F. Clarke, said that the sum of £200,000 recently voted for scheduled roads was for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges generally, and not for scheduled roads only. The sum of £122,595 had been expended to the 31st August, and the balance was in course of expenditure. Attention had been officially called to the urgent necessity of expending the money on country roads.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in reply to Mr. Wright, said that the delay in obtaining the long-service medals of the volunteers did not rest with the department. Two reminders had already been sent to the Agent-General, and further representations would be made.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. O'Sullivan, said that a fee of 5s was charged to persons examined for temporary employment in the public service, in accordance with the regulations authorised under the terms of the Public Service Act. The fee was not returned to unsuccessful candidates, but was placed to the consolidated revenue.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Wright, said he had been informed that the Railway Commissioners had declined to issue free passes to the country delegates attending the forthcoming municipal conference in Sydney, but granted the concession of half fares.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Wright, said that the pressure of work in the Taxation Department was such that it had been found necessary that a portion of the more efficient and experienced officers should be employed on alternate evenings and paid overtime at the rate of 2s an hour.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Rose, said that the precise amount paid away since the 1st July, 1896, for obligations due on or before the 30th June, 1896, could not be stated, but he felt confident that the estimates of expenditure submitted to the House would be fully equal to all claims. The total for the six months of 1895 and previous years paid away from 1st July last to the end of last month was under £1100, and could not possibly exceed £7000 at any future time.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in reply to Mr. Wheeler, said that persons who obtained electors' rights in the interval between the date of making out the general list and the holding of the revision court, were compelled to apply personally to the revision court.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS, in reply to Mr. Waddell, said that the estimated area of land which had become available for settlement during the last 12 months ended on the 30th June, 1896, was about 1,843,290 acres; 478,253 acres had been thrown open as homestead selections, and 1,365,037 acres for settlement lease. A large area had also been thrown open for conditional purchase.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Waddell, said he had a strong conviction against the object of introducing legislation during the present session to give effect to the resolution passed during the closing session of last Parliament to abolish the system of granting pensions to judges.

The PREMIER, in reply to Mr. Schey, said that the Public Service Board had acted independently of the Government in regard to the retirements they proposed making from the service. There was no truth in the suggestion that the Premier or other Ministers suggested to the board the names of the officers whom they thought should be retired. Personal intimations were given to the several under-secretaries of the visits of the board.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said that Lieutenant-Colonel H. P. Airey, D.S.O., qualified for the rank of major by distinguished service in the field. Major Bridges passed so brilliant an examination at Shoeburyness that he was accorded his majority. Major Bridges, besides being commandant, school of gunnery, was also firemaster, hence Captain Le Mesurier was occasionally detailed to assist with the long course. Both Major-General Hutton and Major-General French were paid £1250 per annum.

TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

Mr. WILLIS said that applicants for employment in the Civil Service who failed to pass the examination did not receive a refund of the fee of 5s. This was very unfair. Even the registry office returned fees if they were unsuccessful in finding engagements for their customers.

The PREMIER said that the examiners had the same amount of work in examining unsuccessful candidates as they had in examining those who passed and were accepted.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Alexander Campbell and Mr. Perry (for Mr. Crick) presented petitions in favour of full local option without compensation.

Mr. Hawthorne presented a petition praying for the extension of the franchise to women.

The petitions were received.

PAPERS AND REPORTS.

The Colonial Secretary laid upon the table of the House copies of bylaws of the municipalities of Wentworth, Willoughby, Berry, Aberdeen, and Nyngan.

The Minister for Justice tabled a return in regard to the claim of Theophilus Stephens.

The Minister for Works tabled report of completion of the Iron Cove Creek stormwater channel, upper Ashfield branch, extension from Norton-street to Arthur-street; Point Piper-road to Rushcutter Bay stormwater channel; Iron Cove Creek, Carshalton-street branch, inlet to culvert under George's River-road; and reports, &c., respecting the construction of aqueducts in connection with sewerage contracts Nos. 64 and 101, Arncliffe.

The Premier laid on the table of the House notifications of resumptions of land at Wentworth Falls, Maitland, and parishes of Lett and Clwydd.

Mr. Gormly brought up the seventeenth report of the Printing Committee.

Mr. T. Fitzpatrick brought up the report, minutes, and evidence of the select committee on Ryan's conditional purchases in the Wagga Wagga Land District.

GOVERNOR PHILLIP'S STATUE.

Mr. LYNE said that he was absent from the House during the early hours of that morning, but had been informed that during the debate on the item of expenditure for the statue of Governor Phillip it had been stated by the Government that the previous Administration was responsible for this expenditure. Such was not the case.

The PREMIER said it was distinctly stated by the Government that the statue had been ordered by the Parkes Administration in 1888, and some hon. member had during the course of the discussion asserted that the Dibbs Government had refused to place the amount on the Estimates. To this he had replied that there was a written contract existing, and that the Dibbs Government might repudiate the amount as much as they liked, but the country had been committed, and as the statue had now been delivered the amount would have to be paid.

Mr. LYNE: The previous Government had endeavoured to avoid the expenditure and had made no payments for two years, but he found that the Government was committed to the expenditure.

The PREMIER: The hon. member might rest assured that the matter had been fairly stated. Whether the late Government tried to repudiate the amount or not the contract was a binding one.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in answer to Mr. Black, said that in view of the representations made to him by the hon. member in regard to the manner in which registry offices were conducted he had conferred with the Inspector-General of Police, who was now obtaining information in order to enable him to frame a bill dealing with the matter.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY, in answer to Mr. Black, said that if moved for in the usual way he would have no objection to lay on the table of the House the papers and reports in connection with the refusal to register the North City Volunteer Fire Brigade.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT—SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION AT ALEXANDRIA.

Mr. ANDERSON moved the adjournment of the House for the purpose of calling attention to the want of adequate and convenient school accommodation at Alexandria. He said that the population of the district was about 8000, and there were 700 children who had to attend the schools in other localities. The accommodation at the Alexandria school was only sufficient for 400 pupils. From a sanitary point of view it was necessary that additional accommodation should be provided.

The MINISTER FOR EDUCATION said that there was an infant school at Alexandria, and when the children of the immediate district became too old to attend thereat they were sent to one of several schools in the neighbouring districts, such schools being within three-quarters of a mile of the Alexandria infant school. There was at present ample accommodation at those other schools. When necessity arose for increasing the school accommodation in those districts, then the question would be considered of erecting a primary department at Alexandria. It was probable that by the end of the year the other schools would have become fairly well filled, and it would be necessary to do that.

Mr. SPEAKER said that he found on the Estimates the item "School buildings, furniture, repairs, &c., £35,000." The hon. member would have an opportunity of discussing the matter when the item was before the Committee of Supply, and following the decision he had given the other night he would rule the motion out of order.

GEORGE-STREET ELECTRIC TRAMWAY BILL.

Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a message from the Legislative Council intimating that that House had passed the George-street Electric Tramway Bill without amendment.

SUPPLY.—THE ESTIMATES.

The House resolved itself into Committee of Supply to further consider the Estimates.

"Treasury, £22,846."

When this item was called on, Mr. Lyne intimated that he intended to propose that the Chairman leave the chair and report progress. This he did, the motion being defeated by 53 votes to 27. The debate will be found reported in another column.

"Under-Secretary, £920."

Mr. MILLER moved to reduce the item by £100.

The amendment was negatived.

"Accountant, £750."

Mr. MILLER moved that the item be reduced by £50.

The amendment was negatived on the voices, and the item was passed.

"Sub-accountant, £500."

Mr. MILLER moved the reduction of the item by £50.

The amendment was negatived, and the item was passed.

The estimate £22,846 was then agreed to.

The estimates, "Stamp duties, £4471; land and income tax, £45,800; Customs, £54,576; gold receivers, £80; and gold and escort, £650," were agreed to without debate.

Government Printer's Department, £78,656.

Mr. LYNE said he desired to know whether the Public Service Board had submitted its report to the Government in regard to this department, or whether the Premier knew the suggested reforms, and had referred the report back to the board. He had been told by a gentleman, who he thought knew quite as much as the Premier, that practically the whole of the papers had been ready for more than three weeks, and that the matter had been in abeyance owing to the proposed reduction in the wages of the compositors.

The PREMIER said he would repeat that there was absolutely no foundation for the rumour. No report had been submitted to him, nor had he been spoken to in regard to such a report. He had not the slightest knowledge of what the recommendations of the board would be. The reason for the delay was that this department involved a great deal of difficulty in making alterations. It was different altogether to grading clerical work. The board could do nothing right in the eyes of the Opposition. The Commissioners had been blamed for being smart in dealing with the other departments, and now that they had taken some time in dealing with this department it was alleged that there were sinister motives.

Mr. GORMLY said he was pleased that the board had shown so much judgment in dealing with the department in a careful and thorough manner.

Mr. J. C. L. FITZPATRICK said he would like to know the difference made in the amount for advertising.

The PREMIER said that £5000 had been saved.

Mr. MILLER said that country newspapers were not fairly treated in the matter of Government advertisements.

Mr. BLACK said that advertisements should be withdrawn from all newspapers. He thought that the *Government Gazette* should be issued free of charge to every householder in the colony, and should contain, in addition to Government advertisements, the speeches delivered in Parliament. The private advertisements received would pay the cost of printing and setting, and the expenses of the *Hansard* staff would also be saved.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said he would like to see a "Daily Hansard" published.

Mr. GILLIES said the reason why he had always advocated newspaper postage was because the Sydney dailies cut in under the country newspapers. The Sydney dailies had a much larger circulation in country districts than the local newspapers had.

The Estimates—Government Printer's Department, £78,656; Stores and Stationery, £94,653; Mercantile Explosives Department, £8817; Board of Health, £23,746; Board of Pharmacy, £160; Shipping Masters, £2202—were agreed to.

Mr. MILLER moved the reduction of the item "President Marine Board, £740," by £100.

The proposed amendment was negatived, Mr. Miller being the only member who, in the division called for, sat upon the side of the "ayes."

The estimates—Marine Board, £60,530; lifeboats, £1625; and public wharfs, £4651—were agreed to.

Board of Exports, £5250.

After discussion, Mr. MILLER moved that the estimate be reduced by £5000.

The proposed reduction was negatived on division by 35 votes to 8 votes.

The estimate was agreed to.

Miscellaneous services, £250,434.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL said he was very much inclined to make the concession to members of allowing them to frank their official correspondence. He would see whether that could not be done.

Mr. PRICE moved, as an amendment, that the item, "Postage of public departments, £31,000," be reduced by £30,000.

The amendment was negatived on division by an overwhelming majority.

Mr. MILLER moved as an amendment that the item "Amount payable to Railway Department for conveyance without charge of members of Parliament, distinguished visitors, school children, and others, £20,000," be reduced by £10,000. His object was, he said, to disallow the granting of free railway passes in respect of distinguished visitors.

The House was sitting when we went to press.

ENGINEERING ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W.

LECTURE ON THE LINOTYPE.

The monthly meeting of the Engineering Association of New South Wales was held at 70 Pitt-street last evening. The president (M. A. D. Nelson, M.L.A.) occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance of members and visitors. Messrs. Charles Wilkin, William Milne, and George Edward Dean were elected members of the society. The chairman announced that the society had been presented by Mr. Harris with a photograph of the group taken recently at the waterworks by Mr. John Lang, with a copy of the first paper read before the association, and by Mr. W. D. Cruickshank with a copy of his work on "Boiler Construction."

Mr. Harry Franks read an address upon the "Merganthaler Linotype Machines." He stated that the compositor of to-day set up his type precisely in the same manner and at the same rate of speed as did his predecessors in the fifteenth century. The processes of impressing the type on the paper had, on the other hand, been completely revolutionised. Inventors had busied themselves with a view of introducing type-setting machines, and many ingenious but defective contrivances had been invented. The lecturer then detailed the manner in which type was set by hand, and stated that the average rate of speed was about 1000 letters per hour after the process of distribution had been deducted. And a machine required to have many delicate capabilities in order to deal with type successfully. Many efforts had been made to dispense with types, and millions of money had been spent on unsuccessful ventures until Ottmar Merganthaler, a native of Wurtemburg, Germany, produced in 1884 a linotype machine, which at once attracted attention. At first it was defective, but improvements were soon made, and five years ago the machine was introduced into England. It was known as the Linotype because it produced lines of type. By means of a diagram and magic lantern slides the lecturer explained how the Linotype machine was worked, and the great contrast between its speed of setting type and its expense as compared with the older method of setting up type by hand. From an economical or a convenient standpoint he regarded the machine as greatly superior to the old system, and believed it was only a question of time when all newspapers and publications would be turned out by Linotypes. The machines were largely used in England and America, and had been introduced into Australia.

The Chairman, at the close of the lecture, announced that he had a pleasing duty to perform, and that was to present Mr. W. D. Cruickshank with the first certificate of membership issued by the society. He eulogised the services rendered by Mr. Cruickshank, and amid applause handed over the certificate, beautifully framed and illuminated.

Mr. Cruickshank replied, briefly reviewing the work of the association, and stating incidentally that they had been the first society to induce the Government to grant £1000 towards technical education. He thanked the members for their gift to him, and said he would always value it for what it represented. (Applause.)

A vote of thanks to Mr. Franks was then carried by acclamation, and that gentleman invited all present to adjourn to a neighbouring room, where light refreshments were provided.

A most marvellous health restorer—Colemane and Sons' Pure Eucalypte Extract.—[ADVT.]

YANKEE DOODLE [illegible] either light or dark [illegible].—[ADVT.]

AGRICULTURE IN AUSTRALIA.

In the early part of the year we were visited by two gentlemen from Cape Colony who had been despatched by their Government to Australia in order to study the conditions of agriculture in this country. Mr. Walter Halse and Mr. J. D. J. Visser, the delegates, arrived at Melbourne on the 10th of October, 1895, and lost no time in beginning their work. They passed to South Australia and New South Wales, where they made diligent inquiry, but Queensland was only briefly visited, so as to allow them more time for New Zealand. As our readers may remember, occasion was taken while the delegates from South Africa were in this colony to obtain their views on farming, and many interesting points of comparison were indicated in this way. However, the full report prepared for the Department of Agriculture of Cape Colony has now been laid before the Parliament at Capetown, and a copy which has reached us contains much to repay perusal. The delegates to a large extent restricted their inquiry to the subject of wheat-growing. They came from South Africa, where, notwithstanding the Customs tariff, there was a considerable import of cereals for breadstuffs, derived from Australia. The agriculturists of the Cape held the view, which was at first shared by the delegates, that Australia generally was "a land of drought and sandy plains, with a narrow coastal fringe of fertile lands. "We fully expected to find," wrote Messrs. Halse and Visser, "that the Cape had equal physical advantages, and that the circumstance of our annually importing from them breadstuffs to the value of, on an average, between £3000 and £4000 worth, would be found to arise from the progressiveness of the Australian and the supineness of the Cape colonist. Our preconceived ideas were wrong, we much regret to say, and our first glimpse of the country revealed the sad truth that in an agricultural race we should be distanced from the start and several months later."

The circumstances which made the difference between the Cape and Australia are that the latter country has a vast area of land capable of bearing large crops of wheat, as against a limited area of such land at the Cape; (2) that the Australian farmer is not handicapped to the same extent as the Cape agriculturist by locusts, hailstorms, and other drawbacks; (3) that the rainfall there, while no larger than at the Cape, is better distributed for nourishing the crops; (4) that Australian fields are fairly level, while at the Cape the fields are very uneven, and are intersected by dongas; (5) that the special machinery of the Australian farmer, such as mallee rollers, stump jump ploughs and strippers, are of the utmost value. So the delegates say to their farmers:—"We wish him to clearly understand that on even terms he cannot run the Australian wheat-grower, and he must not aspire, except possibly once in a decade, to be known as a competitor in the London market." But, given protection, "it is a disgrace that we call for any shortfall from across the water." As to Australian grain, the South African millers declare it to be worth 2s 6d per sack or 1s per cental more than the average Cape grain. They suggest that the difference is due to better cultivation in Australia, but the delegates are sure that this is not the case. "Year after year scratching in wheat on a tilth of two or three inches, and beyond this leaving the crop to the bountiful bestowments of nature till stripping, cannot be checked off as advanced agriculture."

Coming to New South Wales the delegates make complimentary acknowledgments of the attentions of the Government. We shall find in this section that the protectionist views of the delegates find expression. At all times in their report they are eager to notice the good effects of bonuses or other Government assistance to producers, and perhaps more than a little of their enthusiasm in Victoria is due to the activity of the State on behalf of producers. Here is one paragraph, and the concluding sentence may stand as written, though the immense increase of area under wheat this season in New South Wales is a complete rebuttal:—"While in Sydney the glad tidings—to the eater, but sad news to the producer—were published that freetrade had been carried, and that New South Wales was now probably the cheapest market in the world. We fancy this will cause no boom in increased production." Generally speaking the delegates found our soils richer than those of Victoria or South Australia. The reasons for less cultivation are stated to be the undeveloped railway system (as compared with that of Victoria), the adaptability of this colony for pastoral pursuits, and the conflict between squatter and agriculturist. The delegates were a good deal struck by the Wagga Experimental Farm, and by the work of Dr. Cobb, pathologist to the Department of Agriculture. They return frequently to the object lesson in scientific culture presented in the trial wheat plots where Dr. Cobb had 440 varieties growing side by side, and they say that this work would be of the greatest value to South Africa.

In New Zealand the delegates seem to have been much impressed by the Government land policy and by the prosperous farming industry. After a short reference to Tasmania the report enters upon an account of several branches of husbandry other than growing cereals. Attention is given to raising mealies (what we call maize), potatoes, &c. As to fruit, the delegates think that the Cape, by its geographical situation, must eventually command much of the European markets; but they were much interested by the Tasmanian apple orchards. The stone fruits of Australia did not commend themselves to Messrs. Halse and Visser. These gentlemen were sorry not to have been able to visit Mildura or Renmark, and invited Messrs. Chaffey to make their next undertaking in South Africa. On a variety of minor crops and products the report enters with more or less of fulness, and wherever it is a question of shrewd observation and intelligent comment the report may be accepted as sound authority. Occasionally as noticed the delegates allow their fiscal beliefs to colour their arguments, and sometimes they are betrayed into exaggeration, as when on page 44 they remark that in Australia there are millions of acres of Crown land, all suitable for wheat culture, which can be had at under a shilling per acre, or when they declare on the authority of several farmers that locusts are never a trouble in these colonies. Apart from these flaws, and making allowance for a somewhat rambling method of stating their conclusions, the delegates have issued an important report, from which, whatever the profit the Cape agriculturist may draw, Australian farmers may glean a good deal of useful information.

AMUSEMENTS.

LYCEUM.—"LADY OF LYONS."

A great audience, which included Rear-Admiral Bridge and the officers of the fleet, filled every part of the Lyceum Theatre last night to witness the performance of "The Lady of Lyons." Bulwer Lytton's drama has only been revived thrice previously in Sydney during the past decade—by Mr. Charles Warner in August, 1888, by Mr. Bellew in May, 1890, and by Mr. Walter Bentley in June, 1892. In spite of the high-flown sentiment of the play, its inherent emotional power and well-sustained interest have not ceased to tell with playgoers of to-day, for the reception of the drama last night was of the warmest possible character. With the first romantic actor of the English stage as Claude Melnotte, however, nothing less was to be expected; and from the moment that Pauline discovers "the deep wrong of that most vile revenge" and her own devoted love, Mrs. Potter played with genuine feeling. Mr. Bellew, handsome and youthful looking as the peasant's son, spoke with a fervour that touched the house such lines as "I'll rise; I'll win for myself a name that Beauty will not blush to hear." In fact, the actor, whilst he still carries off the bombast of the lines with a high hand, now contrives not to be "stagey" in one of the most theatrical parts ever written. Mr. Bellew no longer swaggers in the rôle as he did six years ago. Anything is better than underplaying the part as some actors do; but without failing in this direction Mr. Bellew gives a convincing reading of the character, and probably he is the only actor just now on the English stage who can do so. *Mrs. Potter*, who was beautifully arrayed as Pauline, may be congratulated upon the tearful dignity of her air in the opening of the scene in the cottage with Beauséant, and the "Claude, take me," at the end of the scene, had the true effect of a generous impulse. Both artists were repeatedly recalled during the evening.

The audience was indeed in holiday mood. Their attention was by no means entirely concentrated upon Mr. Cathcart's bluff portraiture of old Damas, on Mrs. Walter Hill's broad touch as Madam Deschappelles, or on Miss Linda Raymond's comely and dignified presentment of Widow Melnotte. No; they were watching a play within a play of far more lively interest. Mrs. Scot Inglis, the bride of the *afternoon*, sat watching the representation in a stage box, and was recognised with delight by the audience, who applauded her entrance with an enthusiasm which brought smiles of acknowledgment. Then Mr. Scot Inglis was welcomed with a roar of applause on his appearance in the play as Beauseant, and soon an allusion to "the revolution of love" which was upsetting the young men of the day was seized upon by the house as a personal allusion. Then in the fourth act Beauseant had to taunt the unhappy hero and heroine with the words "A happy honeymoon!" The audience laughed as one man, and when a voice from the gallery ejaculated "Same to you, old fellow," they laughed again. Mr. Scot Inglis never finished that exit—he discreetly disappeared, and a splendid scene was nearly ruined. No matter, it was thought better than Lytton, and in the end the incidents put the house into such holiday humour that the drama went as it never went before.

Mrs. Potter will make her farewell appearance in her great part as Camille to-night, with Mr. Bellew as Armand.

BURWOOD LADIES' COLLEGE CONCERT.

Mrs. Evans-Simmons, A.R.A.M., gave a concert in the large hall of the Burwood Ladies' College on Wednesday evening. A large number of guests had been invited by the Rev. C. J. and Mrs. Prescott, and great enthusiasm prevailed throughout the rendering of a thoroughly good programme. Gade's Sonata for piano and violin (by Mrs. Evans-Simmons and Mr. F. Stevenson) was followed by Chopin's "Scherzo in B flat minor," with which was bracketed a charming descriptive piece, "Antonine," by Chaminade. All three were warmly welcomed. After Liszt's tender "Liebestraum" and a difficult and brilliant "Valse Chromatique" by Godard, Mrs. Evans-Simmons received a warm encore and a beautiful basket of flowers. During the evening Mr. E. Stevenson played Svendsen's charming "Romance" and a "Mazurka" by Wieniawski. Mr. Arthur Noble delighted the audience in Pinsuti's "Bedouin Love Song," and for "Beware when bright eyes glance" he secured an encore. Refreshments were served during the evening.

Last evening a "Daisy Dance," in aid of the poor of Surry Hills, was held in the Paddington Town Hall. The dance was one of the most largely attended of the season. The caterer (Mr. S. P. Bray) was guaranteed 400 by the committee, and this number was exceeded by fully 100 persons.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

The two days' pony and galloway fixture under the management of the Canterbury Park authorities will be brought to a conclusion to-day, and a Time Handicap Trot finds a place on the programme. Special trains starting from Redfern at 1.3 and 1.17 p.m. will supplement the ordinary traffic by rail to Canterbury, and the sport commences at 2 p.m. The adjustments are published in another part of this paper.

Up to 5 p.m. to-day Mr. P. O'Mara will receive entries for the leading events of the Kensington Spring Meeting, which takes place on the 24th and 26th instant. The items are the Kensington Stakes of 50 sovs. (14.2), 5 furlongs, and Kensington Cup of 100 sovs. (15.0), 1 mile. The conditions are set forth in our business sheets.

The card for the A.J.C. Epsom Handicap will be read at Tattersall's Club rooms this evening, commencing at 8.30.

Acceptances for the leading events of the A.J.C. Spring Meeting were declared yesterday, and the results cannot be considered as otherwise than satisfactory, for eight remain in the Derby, 24 have cried content for the Epsom Handicap, and 29 for The Metropolitan. The withdrawals from the Epsom Handicap since the declaration of first acceptances include Brockleigh, Waterfall, Valiant, Vivian, Form, Royal Rose, Loch Fad, Biriaji, Right Honourable, Akarini, Waihine, Armenia, Loch Leigh, Sir Arthur, Aroha, Bay Sal, Zeno, First Shot, Honiton, Admonition, Vigilance, and The King. The representatives of Victoria in the mile race are Trentham, Nada, and Wild Olive. The malcontents for The Metropolitan are Brockleigh, Cremorne, Euenalf, Vivian, Form, Royal Rose, Waihine, Moraga, Erehwon, Loch Leigh, Sir Arthur, Honiton, First Shot, Navarine, The King, Sabretache, and Robin Hood. The lists of acceptors are published elsewhere in this issue.

The programme for the two days' meeting to be held at Rosebery Park on Wednesday and Friday next demands the attention of owners and trainers of small horses to-day, for at 5 p.m. nominations close with the secretary, Mr. T. S. Donnellan. The conditions are published in our advertising sheets.

For suspicious running in the Fourteen Hands Handicap at Kensington yesterday the gelding Sailor, T. Gardiner (owner), and W. Woodgate (jockey) were disqualified for six months.

Mr. S. Peters will receive entries up to 5 p.m. to-day for the events on the programme for the Brighton pony and galloway fixture of Monday next. Particulars can be seen in our business sheets.

Up to 4 p.m. to-day trainers and jockeys' tickets for the A.J.C. Spring Meeting will be issued at the office of the club.

The majority of races for the A.J.C. Derbys of the past have been regarded as something like foregone conclusions, but the one to be decided on the metropolitan course to-morrow is a marked exception. The fact that Newhaven was not nominated—though no doubt annoying to his owners—is rather a cause for congratulation, for it has rendered the classic race exceedingly open. Judged on last season's form Coil has a right to the position of favourite, but he has not filled out and furnished to the extent that was expected, and his pronounced defeat in the Hampden Stakes has not left a favourable impression. Still, he is a wiry sort of fellow, with a long, telling stride, and his breeding may pull him through the ordeal in safety. Charge, who made his début in the Hampden Stakes, did well to run such a good second to a flyer like Hopscotch, and, as he is a resolute goer and a determined finisher, must stand in need of a great amount of beating when he makes that terrible run of his. Tire is a more than useful sort of gelding, and the fact that he once lowered the colours of Delaware and Courallie at weight for age should not be forgotten; but Gozoczar must improve almost out of recognition on his late form to have anything like a chance. Interlude has run fairly well on occasions and may do so again, and, all things considered, the race should be well contested from post to post.

The declaration of final acceptances yesterday for the principal events of the A.J.C. Spring Meeting did not cause any stir in the local betting market, and the business transacted was not large. The following are the latest prices on offer:—A.J.C. Derby: 6 to 4 v. Coil, 5 to 2 v. Tire, 4 to 1 v. Charge, 6 to 1 each v. Huret and Gozoczar. Epsom Handicap: 100 to 15 v. Hopscotch, 100 to 10 each v. Dalmeny and Reka, 100 to 8 v. Pharamond, 100 to 7 each v. Amiable and Wild Olive, 100 to 5 each v. Albicore, Leonidas, Messmate, Patrona, The Sketch, Steward, and Euroka. There was no business worthy of mention transacted on The Metropolitan.

The following scratchings were notified yesterday in connection with the Canterbury Park trotting and race meeting, which takes place to-day:—Welter Handicap, Storm; Park Stakes, Sir Bowmont; Time Handicap Trot, Hattie S.

The visiting contingent of Victorian sportsmen, who come to assist at the A.J.C. Spring Meeting, was reinforced yesterday by the arrival of Messrs. C. M. Lloyd and W. Leonard (members of the V.R.C. committee), Dr. Sterling, Messrs. E. N. Senior, A. Joseph, E. N. Abrahams, and C. Fleming, and their ranks will be further increased to-day and to-morrow by the overland route from the southern colony.

MELBOURNE SPORTING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The well-known racing mare Bung Bung has died at Fallen Creek, Sandown racecourse.

Mr. Alfred Harvey has received news from India of the victory of Fortunatus in the Bangalore Cup of 10,000r., 1¼ mile. Fortunatus carried 10st 10lb, and in heavy going won easily in 2 minutes 19 seconds. The Tasmanian mare Cressy ran second.

The stewards of the Ascot Racing Club, at the meeting to-day, disqualified Enic and trainer and rider, and Little Sister and trainer and r der, for one month for suspicious practices.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

There was a large gathering of spectators at Randwick yesterday morning to witness the final gallops of the horses engaged in the A.J.C. Spring Meeting, and they were well rewarded for their early rising by the excellence of the work displayed. Both tan and grass tracks were well patronised, but while the horses on the tan run the measured distances as shown, the posts on the course proper do not accurately indicate the ground covered, owing to the hurdles being placed so far out. Proceedings opened with Tridentate, Sabretache, and Wild Olive being sent for a mile gallop, which was executed in 1 minute 51 seconds, the first-named finishing in front. Newman put in a circuit of the course proper in 2 minutes 37 seconds, and The Scotchman picking him up for the last mile the pair finished together in 1 minute 51 seconds. A mile on the tan was the task set to Dalmeny, and the imported horse got over the distance in 1 minute 47 seconds, Glendennon joining in for the last six furlongs, but he could not hold the son of Foxhall. Newhaven covered a circuit on the tan in 2 minutes 21 seconds, and Euroka got over a serviceable mile and a quarter by himself. Amiable and Bonanza put past seven furlongs in 1 minute 36 seconds, the former having the best of the bout; and Reka was a dozen lengths ahead of Akarini at the finish of a mile gallop executed in 1 minute 49 seconds. The Trier accomplished a round of the tan in 2 minutes 23 seconds. A mile was the task allotted to Leonidas and Form, and the pair, seemingly striding along at their ease, got over the distance in 1 minute 52 seconds. Huret was four lengths in advance of Cremorne at the end of a mile gallop on the tan, the trip taking 1 minute 47½ seconds. Destiny and Interlude were coupled for a round on the tan, which occupied 2 minutes 25 seconds, the former being ridden out, and finished under the whip. Gozoczar beat Tire by half a length, Valiant by four lengths, and True Blue by eight lengths at the finish of a mile and a half gallop, which occupied 2 minutes 53½ seconds. Tire, however, seemed as though he could have settled the pretensions of the winner had he been ridden out. Loch Leigh got over a mile in 1 minute 49 seconds, finishing well. The Captain and Coombwood were sent over a mile, which they cast behind in 1 minute 52 seconds. Charge had more to say than Llens at the finish of a circuit on the grass, the trip having taken 2 minutes 40½ seconds, the Derby colt finishing strongly. With a lightweight in the saddle, Toreador defeated Cravat over six furlongs on the tan in 1 minute 21 seconds. Right Honourable and Fort cast a mile behind in 1 minute 50 seconds, the former going easily and well. Steward, who gave a taste of his quality at Clarendon on Saturday, did the best gallop of the morning, by finishing about 10 lengths in front of Pharamond at the end of a mile on the grass in 1 minute 48 seconds. Clive had more to say than Parthenopaeus at the business end of a circuit of the tan run in 2 minutes 21¼ seconds. Nada and Trentham started from the mile and a half post, and they accomplished the round in 2 minutes 37½ seconds. Nada then pulled off, and Trentham going on alone finished the mile and a half in 2 minutes 50½ seconds, the performance being full of merit. Æolus pulled over The Meddler, in a mile gallop, executed in 1 minute 50 seconds, and York easily defeated Auratus and Contempt over a mile, which occupied 1 minute 51½ seconds. Erehwon finished three lengths in front of Coil at the close of a circuit covered in 2 minutes 38½ seconds, the Derby colt tiring very much towards the end of the journey. A number of other horses worked, but their doings were not worthy of note.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.—SPRING MEETING.

FINAL ACCEPTANCES.

Subjoined are the final acceptances for the leading events of the Spring Meeting:—

A.J.C. DERBY—1½ mile.

Cashmore	Sabretache	Vigilance
Gozoczar	Coil	Tire
Charge	Huret	

EPSOM HANDICAP—1 mile.

	st	lb		st	lb		st	lb
Hopscotch	9	7	Pharamond	8	2	Dalmeny		
Cremorne	8	13	Response	8	0	(imp.)	7	7
Kallatina	8	12	Amiable	8	0	Steward	7	7
Attachment	8	7	Nada	8	0	Euroka	7	5
Newcastle	8	6	Wild Olive	7	13	Le Var	7	5
Albicore	8	5	Patrona	7	10	Reka	7	5
Leonidas	8	5	The Sketch	7	8	Navarino	7	0
Trentham	8	3	Superb	7	7	Auratus	6	10
Messmate	8	3						

THE METROPOLITAN—1½ mile.

	st	lb		st	lb		st	lb
Hopscotch	9	4	Trentham	8	1	The Sketch	7	5
True Blue	9	4	Fort	8	1	Sam	7	5
Valiant	8	10	Destiny	8	1	Akarini	7	5
Newman	8	9	Messmate	8	0	Superb	7	4
Newcastle	8	8	Nada	7	11	Survivor	7	4
Toreador	8	8	Response	7	11	Charge	7	2
The Captain	8	3	Rt. Honour-			Reka	7	2
Leonidas	8	2	able	7	9	Euroka	7	1
The Skipper	8	2	Gozoczar	7	9	Vigilance	6	12
Rackarock	8	1	Biriaji	7	8	Auratus	6	10

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

There was a large attendance at Kensington yesterday to witness the pony and galloway races. The weather was fine, the track in good order, and the card was run through without mishap. The following are the results:—

FOURTEEN-THREE WELTER HANDICAP of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, lowest weight 7st 7lb, 5 furlongs.—G. Brown's b or br m Dossy, aged, 8st 4lb (Henry), 1; J. Hamilton's b m Uarda, aged, 8st 12lb (J. Montgomery), 2; E. T. Griffin's br m Rosebank, aged, 7st 10lb (Rooke), 3. Other starters: Silence II., 9st 10lb; Gladys, 8st 10lb; Rosy Morn, 8st 8lb; Idalia, 8st 3lb, including 3lb over; Miss Selkirk, 7st 12lb; Best Shot, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Silence II., 3 to 1 v. Dossy, 4 to 1 v. Rosebank, 6 to 1 v. Uarda, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by a length, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 18¼ seconds.

FOURTEEN-ONE HANDICAP of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 5 furlongs.—J. Hardcastle's ch m Marvelette, 5 years, 7st 9lb (Turner), 1; W. Gullison's b g Old Tom, aged, 7st 4lb (Henry), 2; J. Barnes's ch g Notnam, 4 years, 6st 7lb (M'Dougall), 3. Betting: 5 to 4 on Marvelette, even money on Old Tom, 8 to 1 v. Notnam. Won by a length and a half, six lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 6¼ seconds.

LA PEROUSE HANDICAP (15.0) of 50 sovs., second horse 10 sovs. from the prize, 4½ furlongs.—M. Dunn ns b m Queen of the Forest, aged, 8st 2lb (W. Woodgate), 1; W. Andrews ns ch m Golden Fleece, 5 years, 7st 8lb (Cohn), 2; C. Armour's b m Polly II., 6 years, 7st 9lb (Brewer), 3. Other starters: Storm, 9st; Margravine, 8st 2lb; Engineer, 8st; Lady Loch, 7st 11lb; Ensign, 7st 10lb; Warning, 7st 7lb; Princess, 7st 11lb, including 7lb penalty; Redeemer, 6st 11lb; Vade, 6st 9lb; The Scud, 6st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Golden Fleece, 4 to 1 v. Queen of the Forest, Lady Loch, and Engineer, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by two lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 58¼ seconds.

FOURTEEN HANDS HANDICAP of 20 sovs., second horse 2 sovs. from the prize, 4½ furlongs.—J. P. Carter's ch m Trixie, aged, 7st 5lb (J. Carter), 1; C. Scott ns blk g Two Up, 4-5 years, 9st 3lb (Smith), 2; C. M'Keown's blk m Jet, aged, 6st 7lb (Ross), 3. Other starters: Mistletoe, 8st 9lb; Sailor, 8st 5lb; Scottie, 7st. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Trixie, 7 to 4 v. Two Up, 6 to 1 v. Mistletoe, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by four lengths, half a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 1¼ seconds.

FOURTEEN-TWO HANDICAP of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 5½ furlongs.—J. C. Smith's b c Fitzroy, 3 years, 7st 3lb, including 7lb penalty (M'Dougall), 1; R. Hoy's b m Streak of Light, aged, 7st 2lb (Foster), 2; C. M'Keown's b m Melissa, aged, 9st 3lb (Nolan), 3. Other starters: Zeno, 8st 2lb; Sea Shell, 7st 12lb; Virtue, 8st 2lb, including 4lb over; Helleen, 7st 8lb; Slygo, 7st 6lb; Rosebank, 7st 5lb; Choir Girl, 6st 10lb; Victoria, 6st 7lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Fitzroy, 4 to 1 v. Helleen, 6 to 1 v. Streak of Light and Rosebank, 8 to 1 v. Melissa, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by a neck, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1 minute 11 seconds.

KENSINGTON HANDICAP (15.0) of 25 sovs., second horse 3 sovs. from the prize, 6 furlongs.—A. Collins' br m Maria Jane, 6 years, 8st 7lb (Turner), 1; G. Gallimore's b h Westwood, 6 years, 7st 11lb (Beaver), 2; C. Peters's b m Ada II., aged, 7st 2lb (Robinson), 3. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Maria Jane, 2 to 1 v. Westwood and Ada II. Won by a head, a neck between second and third. Time, 1 minute 17 seconds.

CANTERBURY PARK TROTTING AND RACE MEETING.

The following adjustments have been issued for to-day's fixture:—

WALTER HANDICAP (15.0), 4 furlongs.—Bullion, 9st 12lb; Storm, 9st 12lb; Pretence, 9st 11lb; Muriel, 9st 11lb; Auda, 9st 6lb; Queen of the Forest, 9st; Aluminium, 8st 13lb; Engineer, 8st 12lb; Matrona, 8st 11lb; Mentor, 8st 11lb; Margravine, 8st 9lb; Ida, 8st 8lb; Redeemer, 7st 12lb; The Scud, 7st 12lb; Polynesian, 7st 7lb; Bubbs, 7st 7lb.

PARK STAKES (15.0), 4½ furlongs.—Reminder, 8st 5lb; Eveline, 8st 4lb; Rapt, 7st 10lb; Vera, 7st 10lb; Forest Belle, 7st 8lb; Crucifix, 7st 8lb; Little Roy, 7st 4lb; Gator, 7st 4lb; Botanist, 7st 2lb; Elsinore, 7st; Sir Bowmont, 6st 12lb; Claudius, 6st 10lb; Rosary, 6st 10lb; Signora, 6st 7lb; Masher, 6st 7lb.

RAILWAY HANDICAP (14.2), 4 furlongs.—Guanaco, 8st 13lb; Parody, 8st 12lb; Ada, 8st 11lb; Rose L., 8st 9lb; Mineral, 8st 8lb; Romp, 8st 7lb; Icasia, 8st 7lb; Lady Sturt, 8st 2lb; Melthora, 8st; Fitzroy, 7st 12lb; Grand Bar, 7st 12lb; Careless, 7st 7lb; Will o' the Wisp, 7st 7lb; Lavender, 7st 2lb.

GALLOWAY HANDICAP (15.0), 1 mile.—Wilga, 8st 7lb; Corrie Roy, 8st 7lb; Zingara, 8st 5lb; Olivera, 8st 3lb; Little King, 7st 13lb; Mentor, 7st 9lb; The Count, 7st 7lb; Nardoo, 7st 7lb; Zara, 7st 1lb; Art, 7st; Days of Yore, 6st 12lb; Mother o' Pearl, 6st 12lb; Crimson, 6st 9lb; Bertie, 6st 7lb; Days of Old, 6st 7lb.

TIME HANDICAP TROT, 2 miles.—Cleveland, scratch; Creole, 5 seconds behind; Little Dot, 5 seconds behind; Kola, 7 seconds behind; Cavalier, 14 seconds behind; Matchlock, 18 seconds behind; Order Boy, 18 seconds behind; Tommy S., 20 seconds behind; Siren II., 20 seconds behind; Picaninny, 24 seconds behind; Regina, 25 seconds behind; Venus, 27 seconds behind; Valissa, 28 seconds behind; Era, 30 seconds behind; Hattie S., 35 seconds behind; Ariel, 35 seconds behind.

POLO.

The match Sydney Polo Club v. Camden, played at Kensington Recreation Ground on Wednesday afternoon, was won by Camden by 3 goals to 1, and not 3 to nil, as stated. The Sydney goal was obtained by Mr. T. Watson.

CYCLING.

NEW SOUTH WALES CYCLISTS' UNION.

ROVER ROAD RACE.

Arrangements have been made with the Railway Commissioners for officials, competitors, and friends to travel to Parramatta by the 1.30 p.m. fast train on Saturday at single fare for the double journey. Tickets for this train must be obtained beforehand, and will be for sale at the club rooms, 23 Rowe-street, between 1.30 and 2 p.m., also 7 and 9 p.m. to-day (Friday), 11th September. Mr. G. M. Moore has charge of them, and he will be glad to supply bicycle tickets at the same time, so that competitors will be saved this trouble at the station. The following are the positions for *reference* in the race above referred to:—

Baulkham Hills Hotel, J. Meagher (ambulance); twenty-third milestone, Windsor-road, T. Wearing; Rouse Hill, E. C. Griffith (ambulance); thirtieth milestone, H. E. Robinson; Windsor (top of hill entering), J. F. Babalinski (ambulance); Blacktown-road, L. Berjyn; The Hut on cross-road, A. Norris; turn-off to bridge (over Penrith line), J. L. Shying (ambulance); Kingswood Bridge, R. Patrick and J. R. Holdsworth; Church Hill, St. Marys, Western-road, J. Trabair; twenty-sixth milestone from Sydney, A. Rice; top Prospect-hill, G. M. Moore; the Prospect Hotel, G. A. Richardson and J. Pearson; seventeenth milestone from Sydney, G. Corkhill and F. W. Landau (ambulance); sixteenth milestone, H. Richardson.

The following have been appointed officials:—Judges: James Martin, W. R. George, F. W. Crane. Starters: J. C. Heighway, G. A. Richardson. Timekeepers: W. S. Kerr, S. J. Wyatt.

The executive of the Cyclists' Union met on Wednesday evening. Mr. J. B. Holdsworth presided. The following report was submitted and adopted:—Nine meetings of the executive have been held since last council meeting on 12th ultimo in addition to two meetings with representatives of the A. A. Association regarding the Eight-hour Day sports. Sanction was granted to the Crusaders' Club to run a mile open handicap on the Cricket Ground on 22nd August, the St. Mary's High School a two-miles handicap on 16th September, and to the Public Schools A. A. C. for a half and two-miles open handicaps on the 19th September at the Cricket Ground, also a one mile teachers' handicap. Messrs. E. W. Vallance and G. B. Brentnall have been elected independent members of the union. For the two-days meeting on the 14th and 21st November every effort is being made to induce the Cricket Ground trustees to have the new track completed, and it is probable that the same will be commenced immediately after the October meetings. For the test race meeting on 3rd October for the selection of an amateur rider for England, and the Australasian championship meeting on Monday, 5th October (Eight-hour Day), matters are being rapidly pushed forward, and arrangements are almost completed. A letter has been received from the Queensland Union stating that Messrs. J. A. Smith and C. E. Swenson, with other riders, will represent that union at both meetings and compete in the test races. The matter of sending riders from Victoria to compete is being considered, and intimation from the New Zealand Alliance is daily expected. It is anticipated also that Mr. W. L. Kerr will reappear at these meetings as a representative of this colony. An application was made by the Redfern Club that the union forego its claims to the ground on 3rd October in order to admit of that club holding a race meeting; but in view of the extent to which arrangements had been made for the holding of the test races, both on the 3rd and 5th October, the executive regretted being unable to comply with the request. In connection with the handicapping, for the "Rover" road race Messrs. A. V. Baxter and J. J. Meagher were appointed to assist Mr. Wyatt, official handicapper, and a number of the Redfern Club's Ambulance Corps have volunteered their services as officials. Union Badge: The tender of Messrs. Griffith Brothers for a first supply of 100 badges for members desiring same has been accepted, and the same will be obtainable from the hon. secretary during the course of a day or two.

As an illustration of the danger to cyclists of riding on the wood-blocks as at present watered, it may be mentioned that yesterday a cyclist whilst riding steadily up Oxford-street, which was in a worse state than usual, skidded and got his bicycle under a horse's feet, just escaping himself with a shaking. This is one of many illustrations to show that some notice should be taken of the matter recently brought under the notice of the Mayor.

Yesterday A. B. M'Donnell, who is training for the 25-miles unpaced race with W. Martin, to take place on the Agricultural Ground on Saturday, 26th September, rode the full distance in 1 hour 7 minutes. This is a very good performance indeed, and makes his chance of winning the race very good. He now intends taking a rest, and probably will not do the full distance again till the day of the race. Experts who have been watching M'Donnell's training operations consider that Martin will be defeated from the way in which the former is now riding.

The handicaps for the Coolamon branch wheelmen's road race set down for the 16th instant are as follows:—J. F. Holloway, scratch; T. Spain, J. Studds, H. Chant, W. Fuller, 1 minute; J. F. Ashwood, A. H. Chant, 2 minutes; W. Brookes, D. Iverach, J. Ashwood, J. Venables, 3 minutes; T. Noonan, 4 minutes; H. J. Phillips, 5 minutes; J. Denoon, S. Barnes, and R. King, 7½ minutes. Much interest is being taken in the event, which is to be decided on the Wagga-road.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

The local branch of the League of Wheelmen intends holding a cycling carnival on the 9th November, when the half-mile championship of the Northern Districts will be contested, and £50 prize money given away.

AQUATICS.

PRINCE ALFRED YACHT CLUB.

The annual meeting of members of the Prince Alfred Yacht Club was held last evening at the club rooms, Hotel Australia, Mr. S. Hordern presiding. The report and balance-sheet for the past season were unanimously adopted. The club appears to be in a thoroughly sound condition. The disbursements as per balance-sheet show that the sum of £292 has been paid away, which included donations from Dr. Milford, Mr. S. Hordern, and Mr. W. H. Murrell. The balance brought forward from the previous year was £25 4s 1d. This, with the subscriptions received during the season of 1895-96, leaves a balance to the credit of the club of £39 9s 3d, with outstanding subscriptions of £75 12s, which aggregates £115 1s 3d, and may be considered a very satisfactory statement financially. The report further states that there are 13 yachts on the club register, and that the members' roll now numbers 76. The election of officers, &c., for the season 1896-97 resulted as follows:—Commodore, Mr. S. Hordern; vice-commodore, Mr. P. H. Sullivan; rear-commodore, Mr. W. H. Murrell; committee, Messrs. C. L. Garland, W. M. Calvert, F. S. Adams, A. C. Jewett, J. J. Rouse, and Captain W. Evans. The handicap committee are:—Messrs. W. M. Calvert, F. S. Adams, and T. Gibson, with Messrs. J. G. Smith and J. Macintosh as auditors. Votes of thanks were passed to the retiring officers, special mention having been made of the hon. secretary, Mr. J. H. Harris. Mr. G. Cannis was duly elected to the club. The following alterations to rules 10 and 28 were adopted, viz.:—That the annual subscription shall be due on 1st September, and be payable before 31st December following. It shall, however, be within the power of the committee to receive any overdue subscription upon satisfactory explanation being made." Rule 28 originally read:—"That no yacht whose owner or owners or either of them shall not have paid up all arrears of subscriptions due by him or them to the club shall be allowed to sail in any of the club matches." The addition to this is "unless by consent of the committee." A vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.

Next Saturday afternoon the East Sydney Rowing Club will hold a handicap skiff race.

FOOTBALL.

The committee of the British Football Association met in the Trades Hall on Tuesday: Mr. J. J. Dunmore, president, in the chair. Moss Vale wrote, asking that proposed visit be postponed till next season. New Zealand Association wrote, stating that they purposed sending a team over next season. A match having been arranged with a combined team from H.M. ships now in port, Messrs. M'Pherson, Hogg, and Lassen were appointed a committee to select a team to represent the association, also to make arrangements for entertaining the two teams after the match.

A match has been arranged between Randwick, the winners of the premiership competition, and Newtown, who occupy a similar position in the first junior badges, to take place on the Agricultural Ground to-morrow.

A meeting of the protest committee of the Rugby Union was held last night for the purpose of considering the protest lodged by Buccaneer in the final match (with Mercantile) for the second junior badges, played at Kensington Recreation Ground on Saturday last. After hearing a quantity of evidence the matter was adjourned till Monday next.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

Shooting for a trophy, presented by Mr. Allen, will take place at the Gun Club's grounds, Botany, this afternoon. Information regarding means of transit, &c., can be obtained from advertisement.

N.S.W. CO-OPERATIVE ALLIANCE.

A meeting of those interested in the co-operative movement was held at the Temperance Hall, Pitt-street, last evening. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied by Mr. E. J. H. Knapp, and among those present were Mr. Joseph Clay and Mr. B. Jones (delegates from England), Hon. B. Backhouse, M.L.C., Mr. W. M'Millan, M.L.A., and Messrs. Whittel, Medway Day, G. Spence, and John Plummer.

The Chairman said the object of co-operation was to remove many of the social difficulties, and bring all classes of the community into closer union with each other.

Mr. Medway Day delivered a short address, after which

Mr. Joseph Clay, one of the co-operative delegates from England, said that he and his two colleagues had visited various parts of the colony, and also Brisbane, and were very much impressed with what they had seen. They had ordered consignments of various articles to be forwarded to them in England. In view of the great resources of this colony he would strongly urge upon them the advisability of starting a store on the ready-money principle.

Mr. M'Millan, M.L.A., said he did not consider himself out of place in being present at such a gathering. His public utterances had always been in favour of the principles of the co-operative movement. The independent characteristics of the English people were at the root of this movement. Mr. Clay, in the course of his remarks, had referred to several palatial buildings in this city which he (Mr. M'Millan) could assure Mr. Clay were the result of insurance and other forms of co-operation. There were two things at the root of a successful co-operative growth—thrift, and a high moral tone. This formed the complete morality which was the foundation of its success. He believed in the movement, and hailed with delight the prospects of the colony furthering it. Co-operation was essentially the result of growth, and there were many conditions which it was necessary to understand in order to assure its successful development. They must remember the many advantages which an old and settled country like England possessed for this development, and which did not exist in the young colonies of Australia, where the people were more unsettled. These conditions of success must be thoroughly understood before an attempt was made to do anything. At the same time it could not be denied that co-operation had already taken root in this colony, for it was represented by stores carried on upon the principle, as well as by banks, insurance companies, &c., and he was delighted at the prospects of the movement continuing. He had noticed the great tendency of the people to lean on the Government and banking and other institutions, which in many instances entirely depended upon the producing interests of the country. The people should rather seek to develop the resources of the country without so much depending upon the Government, and the movement, if carried on, would be a great factor in bringing this about. One of the principal elements of co-operation was that the producer through it was better enabled to obtain the profits of his labour. It meant thrift and ultimate independence.

Mr. Jones then fully explained how the work of co-operation might be started and carried on in the colony, and detailed a scheme which had been before the executive of the alliance that day.

The Hon. B. Backhouse, M.L.C., moved a vote of thanks to the various speakers.

Mr. Whittel seconded the motion, which was carried by acclamation.

Mr. Clay, in acknowledging the vote, said he hoped the result of the visit of the delegates would be the practical commencement of the co-operative movement on a large scale in Australia.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

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CUSTOM-HOUSE.—Entered outwards: September 10: Maranoa (s.), 1866 tons, for Burketown, via ports.

Captain Geo. Rose reports that the steamer Tambo left Hobart at 8.15 p.m. on the 7th, passed the Eddystone Lighthouse at 2 p.m. on the 8th, Gabo Island at noon on the 9th, and arrived at Sydney. Experienced light N.W. winds to Barren Island, thence moderate N. winds to Sydney.

Captain Farrell reports that the steamer Electra crossed the Richmond bar at 10.40 a.m. on the 9th instant, and arrived in Sydney at 7.45 p.m. on the 10th.

Captain W. Ellis reports that the steamer Peregrine left Brisbane on the 9th instant, cleared the Pile Light at 11.30 a.m., passed South Solitary on the 10th instant at 4.30 a.m., Seal Rocks at 2.58 p.m., entered Sydney Heads at 10 p.m. Experienced moderate and variable winds with fine weather throughout.

Captain W. O. Hersee reports that the steamer Bega left Eden at 8 a.m. on the 9th, called at Merimbula, Tathra, Bermagui, and arrived at the company's wharf at 12.30 p.m. on the 10th instant.

The steamer Mararoa left Wellington at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, for Sydney, due Sunday.

The steamer Virawa, on arrival from Calcutta, will berth at the Grafton Wharf.

Captain Sinclair reports that the steamer Maranoa left the Albert Bar (Burketown) on the 29th ultimo at 1.30 p.m., the Norman Bar (Normanton) at 11 p.m. same date, called at Thursday Island 1st instant, Cooktown 3rd, Townsville 4th, Keppel Bay 6th, arrived at Brisbane on the 7th at 11.20 p.m., left Brisbane on the 8th at 6.30 p.m., rounded Cape Moreton at 4.38 p.m., passed the South Solitary on the 9th at 9.30 a.m., entered Sydney Heads on the 10th at 6.15 a.m., and arrived at company's wharf at 7 a.m. Experienced light variable winds and fine weather throughout.

Captain J. H. Hunter reports that the steamer Wollumbin left Byron Bay at 11.30 p.m. on the 7th, called at South Solitary, and arrived at Coff's Harbour at 5 p.m. on the 8th, left at midnight, and arrived in port at 7 a.m. on the 10th.

The ketch Dewdrop left Lord Howe Island for Sydney on the 6th instant.

The steamer Beagle, at Brisbane, has been sold to Western Australia.

The Damascus in the Aberdeen White Star line left Albany at 6.10 p.m. on the 9th for Capetown.

Captain J. Magee reports that the steamer Kallatina crossed the Clarence bar on Wednesday at 1.15 p.m., arrived in Sydney Thursday at 6.30 p.m.

Our Melbourne correspondent last night wired:—"A ship, probably the Loch Ryan, from Glasgow, was reported outside at the Heads this evening."

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Miowera sailed from Vancouver on the 8th instant. She is therefore due at Honolulu on the 16th instant, Suva on the 26th, and Sydney on the 2nd October.

The North German Lloyd line steamer Prinz-Regent Luitpold, from Bremen 3rd August, arrived at Albany yesterday morning.

The mails which left Sydney per Alameda dated 3rd August arrived in London on the 9th September.

The R.M.S. Home, hence 17th August, arrived at Colombo on the 8th instant.

The Banffshire (s.), from London 29th August, left Aden on the 8th instant for Australia.

The R.M.S. Merkara, from Brisbane 9th July, arrived at Plymouth on the 8th instant.

The Duke of Buckingham (s.) left London on the 9th instant for Queensland ports.

THE HOWARD SMITH LINE.

The Peregrine, from Townsville and intermediate ports, sails hence for Melbourne at 2 p.m. to-morrow. The Tyrian is due from Melbourne this afternoon. She sails hence at 2 p.m. to-morrow for Brisbane, Rockhampton, Mackay, and Townsville. The Gabo leaves Sydney for Melbourne, Adelaide, and West Australian ports at 5 p.m. on Tuesday next. The Barrabool leaves Brisbane to-day for Sydney, and may be expected to arrive about noon on Sunday. The Leura leaves Townsville to-morrow for Sydney, via the usual intermediate ports. She is due next Friday morning, and sails hence for Melbourne at 1 p.m. on Saturday. The Konoowarra leaves Brisbane to-day for Maryborough and Rockhampton.

AN OCEAN TRIP TO THE HAWKESBURY.

The Newcastle and Hunter River Company's steamer Sydney will make the first trip this season of the popular Saturday afternoon excursions to the Hawkesbury River from the Market-street Wharf at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. The Sydney has just been docked, cleaned, and painted, and special conveniences made for the comfort of pleasure-seekers. Besides an ocean trip of 26 miles, excursionists will have an opportunity of viewing about seven miles of magnificent river scenery, as the vessel will proceed as far as the famous railway bridge, round Dangar Island, returning to Sydney about 7 p.m.

THE TAIYUAN.

The Taiyuan, in the China Navigation Company's line, arrived at Port Darwin on the 10th instant, and is due here on the 23rd instant.

THE ALICE MAY.

Messrs. Hordern Brothers' schooner Alice May last night anchored in Watson's Bay. Captain Champion reports that the steamer left Sydney on 14th August, arrived at Lord Howe Island on the 17th, left the same day for Norfolk Island, arrived there the 21st, discharged cargo and took in cargo; on the 29th left for Lord Howe, arrived there on the 8th September, and left same day.

THE attendances of visitors at the Technological Museums under the Department of Public Instruction (in the afternoons only), for the month of August, were as follows:—Sydney, 6286; Newcastle, 5053; West Maitland, 1979; Goulburn, 1856; Bathurst, 1454.

Absolutely the best external remedy before the public—Colemane and Sons' Special Oil.—[ADVT.]

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY EVENING.

A rather better business was done in the Stock and Share market to-day, there being no very marked fluctuations in value. All Government securities were quoted as yesterday. Bank of New South Wales were offered at the price at which they were last sold. Bank deposits remained steady, Queensland National being offered at 12s 9d. In steam there was an advance of 6d at 12s 9d. In steam there was an advance of 6d at 12s 9d. In steam there was an advance of 6d

Funerals.

DUNN.—The FUNERAL of the late Mr. JOB DUNN, late of Inverell, will leave the Sydney Hospital, Macquarie-street, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 9 o'clock, for the Waverley Cemetery.
J. MEDCALF, Furnishing Undertaker,
Tel., 1527. Redfern-street, Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of Mrs. R. SMITH are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her deceased beloved BROTHER, Mr. Thomas Steel, which will leave her residence, 84 Wellington-street, Waterloo, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 2 o'clock, for the Necropolis. J. MEDCALF, Redfern-st., Redfern. Tel., 1527.

THE FRIENDS of Adjutant JAMES DUTTON, of the Salvation Army, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his beloved WIFE, Emma Keturah; to move from his residence, Windsor-road, Petersham, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, for Necropolis, via Summer Hill station. Crockett and Son, 44 Lackey-st., Sum. H.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. WILLIAM DAVIS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his deceased beloved WIFE, which will leave her late residence, 43 Marian-street, Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at quarter to 3 o'clock, for the Balmain Cemetery. J. MEDCALF, Furnishing Undertaker, Redfern. Telephone, 1527.

THE FRIENDS of Messrs. WILLIAM H., HENRY, and the late SAMUEL R. DAVIS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their deceased beloved MOTHER, which will leave her late residence, 43 Marian-street, Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for the Balmain Cemetery. J. MEDCALF, Und.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. FIRKIN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their deceased beloved MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Ann Davis, which will leave her late residence, 43 Marian-street, Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for the Balmain Cemetery. J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES LANSDOWN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their deceased beloved MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Ann Davis, which will leave her late residence, 43 Marian-street, Redfern, THIS AFTERNOON, at a quarter to 3 o'clock, for the Balmain Cemetery.
J. MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

PRESTON.—The FRIENDS of Mr. HENRY PRESTON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his dearly-beloved DAUGHTER, Alice Gertrude; to leave his residence, Earlsdon-terrace, Ridge-street, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Cemetery. HOWARD and CO., Undertakers, Junction-st., N. Sydney.

JOHNSON.—The FRIENDS of Mr. CHARLES A. JOHNSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Mary Ann, which will move from his residence, Eureka-street, Blue's Point, North Sydney, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Church of England Cemetery, St. Leonards.
WOOD and COMPANY,
Undertakers and Embalmers, Sydney, Balmain, &c.

JOHNSON.—The FRIENDS of MARY, ESTHER VICTORIA, CHARLES, and FREDERICK JOHNSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER, which will move from their residence, Eureka-street, Blue's Point, North Sydney, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, for St. Thomas' Church of England Cemetery, St. Leonards.
WOOD and COMPANY.

THE FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. A. BLAKE and Mr. and Mrs. G. DAVIS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly-beloved SISTER, Annie Johnson; to move from her late residence, Eureka-lane, North Sydney, at 4 p.m. TO-DAY, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Sydney.

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T. A. M.—Going out of town until Thursday next. Meet you 6 p.m., same place.

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GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
All lots not specially advertised.
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50 SUPERIOR HEAVY DRAUGHT COLTS and FILLIES, and 'BUS and VAN DESCRIPTIONS.
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50 SUPERIOR HORSES, consisting of heavy draught colts and fillies, suit lorry and heavy carriers' work; also active draughts, van, and 'bus descriptions, in ages 4 to 6 years old, direct from the breeders' studs, advised as specially good.

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At 12 o'clock sharp,
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At 3 o'clock sharp,
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150 first-class dead pigs, corn-fed, per rail
60 carcases veal.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.
CAMPERDOWN YARDS, THIS DAY,
at half-past 2 o'clock.
JOSEPH LEEDS and CO. have received instructions from J. M. Carberry, Esq., Coolac, to sell by auction at the Camperdown Yards, THIS DAY, at half-past 2,
10 well-bred light horses, particularly suitable for the Indian market.

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H. A. THOMPSON will sell by auction, at the Randwick Racecourse, on MONDAY, 14th instant, at 2 p.m.,—
On account of WILLIAM PITT, Esq., Umbiella—
BROWN FILLY, full sister to Bala, the well-known galloway, by Locket, out of The Rose, by Splendor (imp.), out of Rose of Cobham, by Maribyrnong out of Belle of Cobham (imp.) by Restitution.
On account of E. E. A. OATLEY, Esq.—
BAY FILLY, by The Sinner (son of Grand Flaneur and Paradise), out of Faith, dam of The Faithful, by Vespasian (imp.) out of Hope by Yattendon out of Esperance.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.
ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Sale Yards, at the rear of 791 George-street South, entrance Valentine-lane, THIS DAY.
At half-past 1 o'clock sharp,
Fat pigs, calves, suckers, carcase pork and veal.
At 2 o'clock sharp,
The usual weekly supply of choice brands of creamery, factory, and dairy roll and keg butter, cheese, bacon, eggs, honey, lard, fruit, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
A large quantity of poultry, including ducks, geese, turkeys, fowls, pigeon, bird, &c., &c.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction THIS DAY,
At Darling Harbour Station, at 8 o'clock, wool.
At Produce Mart, 741 George-street, at 1 o'clock,
Fat calves, fat pigs, sucking pigs, carcase pork
Turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, pigeons, hares, birds
Roll and keg butter, cheese, ham, bacon, lard
200 cases superior duck and hen eggs
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THE FARMERS' AUCTION SALEYARDS,
Thomas-street, off Engine-street, Haymarket.
R. F. MURPHY and CO. will sell by auction, at their Rooms and Yards, THIS DAY,
At 1.15,
Suckers, porkers, stores, carcase pork, &c.
At 2.30,
Mule, muscovy, and English ducks, turkeys, geese, fowls, pigeons, birds, &c.
At 3.45,
Eggs, butter, bacon, lard, honey, wax, maize, hides, and sundries.

W. HARRIS will sell by public auction, THIS DAY, at 3.30, at 325 George-street, Brickfield-hill, Brown and White Leghorns, Minorcas, Andalusian, Orpingtons, Langshans, Games, and valuable settings of Eggs, &c.

PRODUCE SALES.
SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, FRIDAY, as under:—
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TALLOW.—At John Bridge and Co.'s Stores, at 2.30 p.m.

The Sale you should attend.
THIS (FRIDAY) MORNING, at 11 SHARP.
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ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED.
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All Requisites of Kitchen, &c., new and good
Small Gas Grill Stove, Mangle, Poultry.
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, AT 2.30 P.M.
ON THE PREMISES, PARRAMATTA-ROAD, LEWISHAM.
BY ORDER OF W. H. PALMER, Esq., OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE.
IMPORTANT and UNRESERVED SALE by PUBLIC AUCTION of
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3 FINE UPSTANDING DRAUGHT HORSES.
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Imperative and Absolutely Unreserved Sale.
JOHN P. LISTER has received instructions from the proprietor, who is leaving for New Guinea, to sell by auction, on the premises, 35 George-street North, Dawes Point.
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THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.
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The Unredeemed Jewellery pledged with Mr. E. Spilsbury, of Forbes-street, comprising
Gold and silver lever and Waltham watches, diamond, signet, keeper, and wedding rings; gold alberts, chains, necklets, lockets, brooches, earrings, pins, studs, links, &c.

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JNO. CANTY will sell at No. 12 Little Buckingham-street, Strawberry Hills, under rent warrant, Household furniture, &c.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 10.30.
IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE at CRANE'S AUCTION ROOMS, 274 Pitt-street, of a
LARGE QUANTITY of Superior HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, to Suit All Classes; also, a Quantity of USEFUL SUNDRIES.
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Goods Received for Sale up to 10 o'c. same morning

SALE BY AUCTION
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THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET,
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HARRIS AND ACKMAN,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, at 11 A.M.
CONSIGNMENTS of SEASONABLE DRAPERY,
comprising
9 Cases Men's Oxford Shirts, 6 cases Collars, 4 Cases Derby Scarfs and Ties, 5 Cases Hosiery, 3 Cases Men's Mole Trousers, 6 Cases Men's Clothing (assorted), Men's and Boys' Suits, 4 Cases Honeycomb Quilts, Towels, &c.

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MR. JAMES R. LAWSON,
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IMPORTANT UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.
10 CASES OF FURNITURE,
ex Ship Dartfold,
from London.
REMOVED FROM BONDED STORES
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AUCTION SALEROOMS,
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for
POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.
Comprising
THE WHOLE OF THE FURNITURE
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AN ENGLISH RESIDENCE,
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The Effects include
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KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY EFFECTS,
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Also
ON ACCOUNT OF OTHER VENDORS,
A LARGE ASSORTMENT
of
GENERAL FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES,
including
VALUABLE WALNUT PIANOFORTE by KAPS,
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WALNUT PIANOFORTE by BECHSTEIN.
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FIRST-CLASS BEDROOM FURNITURE,
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&c., &c.
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AT THEIR AUCTION ROOMS,
128, 130, and 132 PITT-STREET (near King-street),
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER, at 11 a.m.
ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.

TO THE FURNITURE TRADE, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
AT THE ROOMS, 76 PITT-STREET,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11,
at 11 o'clock sharp.
Under instructions from the proprietor (removed from North Shore for convenience of sale), the General Stock-in-trade of a
FURNITURE AND CROCKERY MART,
consisting of
Austrian, Grecian, and Washington Chairs, P. T. Tables, Sideboards, Overmantels, Wire Mattresses, Chests Drawers, Toilet Pairs, Wardrobes, Bedsteads and Bedding (single and double)
Toilet Ware, General Stock of Crockery, Tinware
Glassware, Tubs, Buckets, Holloware, Enamelware
General Household Requisites, &c., &c.
A. TRAVERSI and CO. have received instructions to sell the above, at the ROOMS, 76 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, at 11 o'clock sharp.
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

TO FURNITURE BUYERS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
ON THE PREMISES, MILLER-STREET, NORTH SHORE
(lately occupied by Mr. F. W. Gale),
THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 11, at 2.30 sharp.
The Contents of House, consisting of
Austrian Chairs, Tables, Chest Drawers, Wardrobe, Bedsteads and Bedding, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, &c., &c.
Outside Lamp, Gasfittings, Quantity of Novels.
A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the above THIS AFTERNOON, at 2.30 sharp.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.
TO LADIES AND GENTLEMEN FURNISHING.
IMPORTANT AND TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE
by
PUBLIC AUCTION
at
66 FLINDERS-STREET, MOORE PARK,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, at 11 o'clock,
under instructions from L. PYKE, Esq.
MAGNIFICENT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE, in beautiful walnut case, full iron frame, and possessing all the most modern improvements, by the celebrated makers, GORS and KALLMANN.
This is truly a fine instrument, and should be inspected.
SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of GLASSWARE, CHINA DINNER, TEA, and BREAKFAST SERVICES
BEAUTIFUL CENTRE E.P. FLOWER and FRUIT EPERGNE
PAIR ENGRAVED E.P. ENTREE DISHES
MAGNIFICENT SOLID WALNUT DINING-ROOM SUITE, carved frames, and upholstered in moroccos
8ft. EXTENSION DINING TABLE
WALNUT SIDEBOARD, bevelled glass back, &c.
MARBLE CLOCK, BRONZES, and ORNAMENTS
HAND-PAINTED MIRRORS, OVERMANTELS, and PIER GLASSES
DRAWING-ROOM OCC. CHAIRS, TABLES, and SEITRE
CARPETS and LINOLEUM
DOUBLE and SINGLE H. T. BEDSTEADS and BEST BEDDING
LARGE DOUBLE WALNUT BEDROOM SUITE
ENGLISH ASH BEDROOM SUITE
PINE BEDROOM SUITE.
CEDAR CHESTS OF DRAWERS, &c.
PATENT MANGLE. PINE DRESSER.
NEW SINGER HAND SEWING-MACHINE.
ST. BERNARD PUP, 5 months old, by CAPTAIN the 2nd.
ST. BERNARD SLUT, GOTHA, first-class pedigree, also 7 weeks old Pup Dog.
A VERY FINE DOG HOUSE.
CATALOGUES will be forwarded to any address received.
DALWOOD and CO. have been favoured with instructions from L. PYKE, Esq., to conduct the above highly IMPORTANT SALE at his residence, 66 FLINDERS-STREET.
NOW ON VIEW.
ABSOLUTELY NO RESERVE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, AT 10.30.
AT THE MART, 117 BATHURST-STREET.
UNDER BILL OF SALE.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS and BATH HEATER.
DALWOOD and CO. will sell by auction as above.
Full particulars in To-morrow's Herald.

GOLD-SAVING MACHINE, COFFEE MILL.
TO DEALERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, and OTHERS.
HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the Liquidator of the Sydney Open Mining Exchange to sell by public auction THIS DAY FRIDAY, September 11th, at 11 a.m., on the Premises, No. 3 Moore-street, city, Office furniture, fittings, &c.
50 Austrian chairs, office tables, 200 tin plates
Rostrum, copying press and stand, gas brackets
Cyclostyle, notice boards, telephone
Carpet, miscellaneous office furniture, sundries, &c.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

MIDDLETON and CO. will sell THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at 549 George-street, near Liverpool-street,
The unredeemed pledges pawned with City Mont de Piété Loan Office.
At 11 o'clock, clothing, books, guns, revolvers, field and opera glasses, &c.
At 11.30, jewellery, gold and silver watches, chains, bracelets, rings, &c.
NOTICE.—The proprietor having given up this line of business, everything will be sold without reserve.

TO BUILDERS, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
On the Premises, Taylor-street, Annandale, close to Booth-street Bridge.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, at 11 a.m.
JAMES COWAN has received instructions to sell by public auction, on the above date,
Doors (new and second-hand), casements, frames Sashes, portable bellows, iron tanks, iron piping Flooring, mirror, office fittings, cedar panelling Short iron girders, quantity sundries.
TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
ORDER OF SALE
CITY and SUBURBAN PROPERTIES,
to be
SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
at the Rooms, Pitt street, at 11.30 a.m.,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

CITY.—Two centrally-situated Warehouses, Nos. 57 and 59 York-street. RENTAL, £900 per annum NET. Mortgagee's sale.
SURRY HILLS.—House, No. 472 Riley-street, south of Devonshire-street. Deceased estate.
REDFERN.—Two Houses, Nos. 203 and 205 Walker-street, between Kettle and Phillip streets, leasehold. Deceased estate.
DITTO.—House, No. 3 Alderson-street, between Kettle and Phillip streets, leasehold. Deceased estate.
PADDINGTON.—Cottage, Harris-street, between Elizabeth-street and Point Piper-road.
NEWTOWN.—Six Cottages, Nos. 4 to 14, Reiby-street, little south of Enmore-road. Mortgagees' sale.
DITTO.—Nine Cottages, Stirling-terrace, Keg-street, off Station-street.
DITTO.—Corner Shop and Dwelling, Camden and Clara streets. Mortgagee's sale.
STANMORE.—Three Houses, Nos. 29 to 33 Liberty-street, at corner of Cambridge-street, between railway line and Enmore tram.
SUMMER HILL.—House, "Rockwall," Albert-street, off Old Canterbury-road. Mortgagee's sale.
HOMEBUSH.—1 acre 33½ per., Coventry-road, next Mrs. Potts' mansion.
NORTH SYDNEY.—Cottage, No. 115 Alfred-st., between Mount-street and Whaling-road. Deceased estate.
NEUTRAL BAY.—Cottage, "Monowai," Reserve-street, between Raymond-road and Undercliff-street, leasehold. Mortgagee's sale.
DITTO.—Two Cottages, Parraween-street, just off Winnie-street, leasehold. Mortgagee's sale.
LEICHHARDT.—Three Shops, Nos. 405 to 409 Parramatta-road, between Rofe and Elswick streets. Mortgagee's sale.
DITTO.—W.B. Building, May and Joseph streets, Orange Grove Estate. Mortgagee's sale.
BALMAIN.—Shop and Dwelling, Beattie-street, close to Darling-street. Mortgagee's sale.
DITTO.—Cottage, No. 7 Palmer-street, at rear of above. Mortgagee's sale.
TRUSTEES' Right, Title, and Interest in Equity of Redemption of Property, Cottage, No. 14 Parke-street, Camperdown. Assigned estate.
BELMORE.—Allotments 1 and 3, Sec. B, Harold Park Estate, First Avenue. Deceased estate.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

MOSMAN'S
ESTATE OF N. M'BURNEY.
ORDER OF SALE
of
FINE BUILDING ALLOTMENTS
and
SMALL COTTAGE PROPERTY,
to be sold by Public Auction,
in the Rooms, 267 George-street,
on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, at 11.30 a.m.,
by
C. F. W. LLOYD and COY., Auctioneers.

MOSMAN'S, Raglan-street.	Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, having a total frontage of 165ft. by 175ft. depth.
Magic and Mistral streets.	Double Frontage Block of 106ft. to Magic-street and 50ft. to Mistral-street, with a through depth of 227ft.
	Lot 18, section C, 66ft. by 240ft., fronting Magic-street.
Clanalpin-street.	Allotment with frontage of 36ft. and a long depth.
Spofforth-street and Orlando-avenue.	Allotments 14, 15, and 28 of section A, Gilbert's Grant, with cottage thereon.

Plan at the Rooms.
TERMS, CASH.
C. F. W. LLOYD and CO., Auctioneers.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, at 623 George-street, Sydney,
Two housefuls of second-hand furniture, sent in for unreserved sale.
NO RESERVE.

Houses and Land for Sale.

TO BUTCHERS, POULTRY and PIG FARMERS.—Splendid Chance for New Beginners.—22 ACRES within an hour of city, laid out into well-arranged vegetable garden, supplied with running stream fresh water, large enclosed pig and poultry yards, salt house, and 3 well-fitted coppers, &c., slaughter-house and yards, nearly new, Cottage, 4 rooms, all in perfect order. Property cost £1200, sacrifice for £450. Easy terms.
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PETERSHAM.—Superior Weatherboard Cottage, 7 rooms, land 33 x 140, £375. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

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ASHFIELD.—Splendid Brick Cottage, hall, 7 rooms, &c., £750. Page and Co., 130 King-st.

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STANMORE Heights.—Choice positioned Villa SITE, 36 x 198, only £5 10s. S. Ritchie, agent, Stanmore-rd.

DULWICH HILL, Pick Of.—Superior double-front bay-window COTTAGE, 7 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, bath, pantry, nice garden, stables, coachhouse, large area land, £900. BUTLER, terminus, Dulwich Hill.

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AUBURN.—Large Block LAND, over 8 acres, cleared, fenced, neat Cottage, large shed, fowlhouses, &c., plenty water, known as Fletcher's Farm, close Graham's nursery; absolute sale, less than half cost; any reasonable offer considered. Take cab, 1s fare from Rookwood station. Par., J. HARRISON, opp. station, Petersham.

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CHANGE OF AIR.—Thirlmere, Picton. Gent.'s Residence, 11 rms., 13 a. gr., £950. Notting, 159 Pitt-st.

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Applications, accompanied by copies of testimonials, to be in the hands of the undersigned by 22nd September instant.
The name or names of successful applicants will be submitted to the Government for approval.
GEO. CARUS DRIFFIELD,
7th September, 1896. Hon. Sec.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Public Service Board propose to hold, on SATURDAY, the 19th day of September instant, at 9.30 a.m., in one of the classrooms at the Technical College, Harris-street, Sydney, a competitive Examination of Female Candidates for an appointment as Typewriter in one of the Public Departments. Salary, £75 per annum.
Candidates will be examined in typewriting from dictation and copying from manuscript and printed matter.
Applications must be received by the Secretary of the Public Service Board at least three clear days before the date fixed for the examination, and must be accompanied by a Treasury receipt for five shillings, and be supported by credentials as to character.
Each candidate will be required to bring a typewriting machine for use at the examination.
CHARLES LYNE,
Secretary.
Office of the Public Service Board,
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10th September, 1896.

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T. SPEERING, Hon. Secretary.

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